Lonrho buys Observer's Launch London evening paper

The Observer "has been acquired y Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland, nief executive of Lonrho, in a gare deal with Atlantic Richfield, le puts a liberal newspaper in the

hands of a company whose activities were described by Mr Edward Heath as "the unacceptable face of capitalism". Mr Rowland also American oil company. The said he would start a new London evening newspaper.

Union leaders and employers agree on package that will yield total increase of 13.1% Water strike threat ends after minister's intervention

Labour Reporter

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The threatened national water strike was called off last night after union leaders and employers agreed a 12.3 per cent pay offer. Both sides expected it to be accepted by the industry's 32,000 manual workers.

A telephone call yesterday morning from Mr Tom King, Minister of State at the Department of the Environment, is understood to have persuaded

is understood to have persuaded the employers to offer new talks to the four unions. It was cited last night as further evidence of the countenance a damaging con-frontation with powerful unions, coming soon after the back-down in the face of the threatened strike by miners.

When all elements of the pay package are taken into consideration, including the calculations of the worth of increased shift allowances and an extra day's holiday, the total package is worth 13.1 per cent. The offer of new talks was made to the unions as they were on the verge of deciding to give seven days' notice of an all-out national strike. Union leaders said that if the offer

Government's reluctance to had not been made the meeting countenance a damaging confrontation with powerful unions, coming soon after the back their members from their method back their members from the first fro

Union officials had also received messages from workers taking unofficial action in the North East that two hospitals in the region situated on high ground had only five hours supply of water left.

The unions accused the employers of adopting brinkmanship tactics. "This year, they have taken us to the brink of disaster", said Mr Edmund

back their members from spreading unofficial industrial action. Union officials had also

officer of the General and Municipal Workers Union. The unions expect to hear their members' decision on the offer by March 14 and it is certain to have an impact on pay negotiations involving other groups of workers with industrial strength in the groups.

electricity industries.

Last night's agreement was reached after more than five hours of talks and represents a 2.3 per cent increase on the National Water Council's present of the council of the coun vious 10 per cent offer, which it had described as "final" Sir Robert Marshall, chair-

man of the council, said that the employers had moved their position, with grave differences of opinion, in view of the great misery that would occur if we went into a strike on our previous offer.

"The unions saw the settle-

ment of the miners pit closure problem as a reinforcement of the strength of muscle they were prepared to exert and it was with that in mind we felt we would be faced with a more resolute attitude by the men? resolute attitude by the men'

Sir Robert said. Mr Newall believed that the men would be prepared to

JS owner bows out after four years

fr Roland "Tiny" Rowland, chief executive of Lonrho, terday took over The cerver newspaper and ancenter newspaper and anneed that he was starting new London evening paper to will challenge the monogo of The New Standard.

Iter more than four years heavy financial losses and istrict strife, the American company Atlantic Richfield nouished its ownership of 190-year-old newspaper to Rowland in a share exage deal which will leave large financial interest in newspaper.

newspaper.

he sale, achieved with a recy rare in the affairs of at Street, thus enables Mr rland to fulfil his long-held nition of becoming the prospaper. It also puts a news-er with a liberal, sometimes cal, image in the hands of a pany whose activities were ribed by Mr Edward Heath the unacceptable face of

owever, Mr Robert Ander chairman of Atlantic Rich-L said in Los Angeles erday that be had been vinced by Mr Rowland that be new owner be wanted to Main the newspaper's inte-

r Rowland said at his Lon noffices last night: "We going to maintain high dards; we are delighted to The Observer. The edi-il control will stay where -with the paper."

hange of staff was envisaged Mr Rowland emphasized faith in the present editor, Donald Trelford, although ad not met him. "I imagine he staff was acceptable to intic Richfield, it will be ptable to us", Mr Rowland

is latest acquisition is likely naugurate a new circulation agle among the national spapers. He said: "Fleet is what it is going to get."
e added that The Observer
beginning to get a tired
and we would like to havt "eeves-up change," although



Mr Rowland last night after the deal was announced.

are really going to activate it," he said smiling. He recognized that with a

He recognized that with a new, aggressive proprietor at The Sunday Times, in the shape of Mr Ruperb Murdoch, he could have a tough task ahead, but said: "I like competition and so does Mr Murdoch, I am sure." He accepted that The Sunday Telegroph could be squeezd between the two, adding: "Let's see what hapepus."

The Observer printing only

The Observer, printing only once a week, has long had spare capacity at its printing works at Blackfrians and Mr Rowland's first new venture as owner will be to launch a new London evening paper. Since last October when the

Evening News disappeared, The New Standard has had the London evening market to itself and Mr Rowland thought it was wrong for there to be just a single evening paper serving

London. He is planning what he describes as "a small evening paper" with a ciruclation of 250,000, which would circulate in central London and the inner suburbs, perhaps as far-out as Hammersmith. That would enable him to avoid the was not prepared to detail would enable him to avoid the changes he envisaged. "We relatively unprofitable expense

of selling the paper throughout the greater London area.

The new evening would be "upmarket" he said, thus directly challenging The New Standard rather than seeking to undercut it with a more popular appeal.

Mr. Jonethen Hunt, father of

Mr Jonathan Hunt, father of the National Union of Journal-ists chapel at The Observer, commented: "We are com-pletely in the dark. We do not know at this stage whether it is a good thing or a bad

thing."

He believed that Atlantic Richfield had wanted to sell The Observer for some time.
"The present deal seems to be the best formula for a responsible transfer, of ownership in the eyes of management.

But one of Mr Hunt's chapel members was angry that there was no consultation with the staff about the transfer. "I staff about the transfer. "I took a 10-minute telephone call to rearrange the ownership of this newpaper", he said bit-

reriy.

For all we know this could be a good thing but we fear the worst because the first thing we knew about any deal was that we have been sold lock, stock, and barrel to a new

"Conditions, terms and the future of our organization seem to have been decided by two people on the ends of a tele-phone across the Atlantic, com-pletely irrespective of the needs and conditions in Britain of the newspaper industry ".

However, he welcomed the fact that The Observer would continue to publish but he hinted that there could be questions from the NUJ because of the speed with which the transfer of ownership was made and the lack of consultation.

Dr Conor Cruise O'Brien, editor in chief of the Observer since 1978, who learnt of the sale only last night, said he would be flying from Dublin to London today to have discuswho said earlier he was resign-ing next month for family reasons said it was too early to comment on the sale.

Third owner in five

whole range of East-West

problems, including Afghanistan and the Gulf, Poland, El

Salvador, as well as Cuban help for leftist governments and guerrillas in the Caribbeau an African and Nato defence expenditure and burden

More than 5,000 jobs disappearing daily

By Melvyn Westlake

Jobs have been disappearing at a rate of more than 5,000 each working day, as the recession has taken its toll on employment this winter. It now seems likely that the employed labour force contracted by abour 350,000 during the last three mouths of 1980 (after making allowance for seasonal changes).

changes).
There was a similar drop in the third quarter but the fourth quarter figure shows a rate of decline twice that during the

first half of last year. During 1980 as a whole more than a million jobs have disappeared, the greatest number since the Second World War. since the Second World War.
The previous largest decline in
the employed labour force—
620,000—took place between
1970 and 1972, while the decline
during the last recession, in the
mid-1970s, was only about the
same as that in the fourth
quarter of 1980 alone.
The fell is employment is not

The fall in employment is not simply the mirror-image of the rise in unemployment, because many of those people who lose their jobs do not register.

If all those made redundant had registered, the increase in unemployment, would be etill

unemployment would be still greater. Figures published on Tuesday showed that the total level of jobless in February reached 2,463,000.

But as the population of working age is rising at about 200,000 a year, this suggests that only two out of three workers who lose their jobs do actually register. The others can be accounted

for in several ways. Early retirement, particularly among, men, is one explanation. Another is that women give up choose to stay at home at times of increasing unemployment.
The supply of female labour, which increased rapidly throughout the 1970s, has started to fall, according to

Government figures. The total employed labour force is estimated to have declined to around 24 million from 25.16 million in mid-1979. Manufacturing industry bas been the hardest hit. According to figures published yesterday by the Department of Employment, manufacturing employment dropped by another 58,000 in December (seasonally adjusted); less than the 70,000 to 85,000 range of falls in the previous five months, but much faster than in the spring and

early summer. Manufacturing employment in December was just over 800,000 below its level in June, 1979. Before that the decline in manufacturing employment had been no more than a gentle 5.000 a month

Employment has also shrunk in the service industries. First indications suggest that as many as 100,000 jobs may have disappeared in this sector during the fourth quarter of 1980, a similar drop to that experienced in the late summer and early autumn. It follows a decade of

almost continuous steady growth
All this represents a considerable "shakeout" of labour. It could have the effect of greatly increasing the level of productivity in many sectors of the economy when the level of business activity begins to

But it also means that the economy will have to expand considerably if enough jobs are to be created to have a big and his foreign policy advisers to be created to have a big are likely to ask the British effect to help the numbers of people who would like to work. people who would like to work. 41 arts organizations.

NATIONAL YOUTHTHEATHE



Photograph by Brian Harris Six hundred young actors . and actresses, led by Oliver Judge rules Hill, aged nine, as Oliver Twist, marched through out music London yesterday protesting at the withdrawal of the tuition fees Arts Council grant to the By Diana Geddes Education Correspondent National Youth Theatre. However, Sir Roy Shaw, A High Court ruling yesterday that a county council was not entitled to charge parents for individual instrumental secretary-general of the council, said they were tuition could have widespread wasting their time because and serious implications for all the grant had already been local education authorities, the Association of County Councils reallocated. His point was

said.
Mr Justice Forbes made a emphasized later when declaration that Hereford and Worcester Council was not en-tirled to charge Mr Eric Jones, a meeting of the council rejected the youth theatre's deputy headmaster of Pershore plea for its grant to be High School, fees for clarinet tuition within school hours for his daughter Helen, or for restored (Martin Huckerby, Our Theatre Reporter. violia tuition for his daughter writes). There was also a demonstration outside the

Both had been receiving free tuition until last spring when the county council decided as part of its expenditure cuts that from the beginning of the sum-mer term, 1980, all pupils receiving, individual or group instrumental tuition would be charged between £5 and £10 a

Some 5,000 pupils were affected, 4,500 of whom are now ted, 4,500 of whom are now paying the fees.

Mr Jones, county secretary of the National Union of Teachers, objected that the authority was not allowed to charge for musical tuition as section 61 of the Education Act, 1944, prohibited authorities from charging fees "in respect of education provided in any such (maintained)

in any such (maintained) school ". school s.

I phis ruling yesterday, the judge said the council had provided individual musical tuition during normal school hours as part of the daily timerable.

If the council had stopped providing individual musical tuition it was doubtful whether the court would have interfered, he said. Mr Jones, whose action was supported by the union, was awarded costs against the

authority. -The Department of Education and Science estimates that 40 out of the 96 local education authorities in England are making some charges in respect of pupils, though some might be for activities out of school

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Law not broken, page Law Report, page 6

to make final break next week The final break with the Labour Party by its dissident "Social Democrat" MPs is now

Labour's dissidents

"Social Democrat" MPs is now planned for next week, probably Tuesday. Although two of the 11 who intend to break away have already resigned the Labour whip, the rest, led by Dr David Owen, and Mr William Rodgers, both former Cabinet ministers, intend to seek maximum effect by leaving on block mum effect by leaving en bloc.

The occasion chosen is the

Commons debate on the Trident nuclear deterrent replacement. nuclear deterrent, replacement.
The debate is expected to be held on Tuesday. Shortly before, the Social Democrats would resign the Labour whip and feel free to launch a major challenge to Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition, over his intentions towards Britain's nuclear defence.

nuclear defence.
The Social Democrats also oppose the Government's The Social Democrats also oppose the Government's Trident proposal. But it is on defence policy, as well as the EEC and reform of party institutions, that they are breaking with the Labour Party.

Resigning the whip will lead to the MPs appearing as a new group in the Commons, although it has not yet been decided whether they will sit separately or together. In Owen has

or together. Dr Owen has already taken up a position below the gangway", indicating his opposition to the Labour leadership.

The joint action will not signify the founding of the new Social Democratic party. An interregnum of some weeks, with the schedule shortening all the time, is being left before the launching.

Nor. as at present planned, will it lead to by elections with the dissidents seeking to reconat present is to found and build a new party, and prob-ably towards the end of the year proceed to internal elec-tions on a national or decen-tralized basis. Only then would they select and adopt candidates at constituency level.

Obviously, any by-elections intervening unexpectedly could produce pressure for candidates produce pressure for candidates to contest them. In this connexion a close watch is being kept on Mr Foot's relectant wish to bolster Jabour's strength in the Lords. If a very safe I abour seat is relinquished, the Social Democrats would have to decide quickly whether to contest it even if only to to contest it, even if only to

register the strength attributed to them in opinion polls. The gradualist approach to next week's climax continued next week's climax contiqued yesterday with varying actions by those intending to lezve. Mr Tom Bradley, MP for Leicester, East, was absent yesterday from the meeting of the parry's National Executive Committee, and he conveyed his resignation from the parry's staff committee. His resignation from the tee. His resignation from the NEC is expected, but the date has not been set.

Mr Robert MacLennan, MP for Caithness and Sutherland, resigned as Mr Foot's front-bench spokesman, where he had been a member of Mr Denis Healey's foreign affairs team, and notified his constituency that he would not be standing again as a Labour . candidate.

Mr Rodgers is expected to be the last of the group to convey his intentions this weekend to constituency of Teesside,

The 11 MPs are Mr Bradley. Mr Michard Crawshaw (Liverpool, Toxteth), Mr Thomas Ellis (Wrexham), Mr John Horam (Gatesbead, West), Mr MacLengan, Dr Owen (Flymouth, Devanport), Mr Rockers, Mr John Rockers, gers, Mr John Roper (Farn-worth), Mr Neville Sandelson (Hillingdon, Hayes and Harlingcastle, East), and Mr Ian Wrigglesworth (Teesside, Thor-naby), Mr Ellis and Mr Crawshaw have already resigned the Labour whip.

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Cornwall hit by tremors

Buchanans

but no structural damage was reported.

Three minor earth tremors house shoo kin slow motion. It shook west Cornwall last night. definitely was not Concorde."

Police and television station switchboards were jammed by muir Observatory, near Edinburgh, said last night that its The shocks affected an area seismic equipment had regis-from Falmouth to Land's End, terred two of the three

The shocks occurred between One local resident said: " The 7.17 pm and 8.35 pm.

rs Margaret Thatcher's arriin Washington tonight was

an David Cross hington, Feb 25

he great love feasts in the history of the so-called lo-American special rela-

It is hard to remember, of the columnists of the shington Post wrote in an cle earlier this week, "when esident of the United States a British Prime Minister e been so remarkably of one d, not just on their econce theories but on their demental world view. damental world view. And it is hard to imagine nore useful opportunity for gan and Thatcher to meet. igan needs not only itcher's reinforcement for economic designs, but her lent enthusiasm for the lean tough line on the global let threat. Thatcher can y profit from Reagan's lorsement of her profoundly popular economic policies. ropular economic policies." n the view of both American British officials here, the illarity of views between the leaders on East-West relans and economics are indeed elv to be the two main mes which will run through two full days of deliberaes in the American capital.

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multi-million-pound package of sub-ies for the coal industry began to the shape during tripartite talks be-een the Government, the miners' ion, and the National Coal Board. Mr

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'iyella's £31.6m loss

trington Vivella, one of Britain's big

ur textile companies, lost £31.6m in 80, including £21.5m to cover restructing and redundancies. Its United agdom workforce was cut by a quarrand there were factory closures. The

mpany's chairman denied rumours of y "lifeboat" rescue operation for the

ally envisaged as likely to be exploratory in nature given the has been in office, have assumed more topicality since the invitation by President Brezhney, earlier this week to his American counterpart to attend a summit meeting of the two super-powers.

will discuss the suggestion fully with Mrs Thatcher and America's other Western allies.



mericans elated at Thatcher hort time President Reagan



By coincidence, M Jean Francois-Poncet, the French Foreign Minister, has been meeting senior administration officials here rbis week and Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, his West German counterpart, will be on a similar mission to Washington pext week. During her talks with President Reagan and his senior foreign and defence policy advisers, Mrs Thatcher will also

Mr Reagan, who has long made a point of emphasizing the importance he attaches to full consultation with his allies, be seeking clarification of the new Administration's views on already promised that he



sharing. The Middle East and Africa are also highly likely to come up during the talks. Mrs Thatcher and Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary, who is accompanying her, will want to emphasize the importance Britain and the other European Britain and the other European countries attach to the views of the Palestinians being taken seriously into account when any fresh attempt is made by Washington to press ahead with peace negotiations between Israel and its Arab neighbours. In this context, Mr Reagan and his ferniam policy advisors

Rose out of England Telephone call stops **Britons leaving Iran**

Brian Rose has a weakness in his right eye and is to return home from England's cricket tour of the West Indies. Two specialists told him the condition may be corrected with the aid of glasses. He follows Bob Willis, who flew home last week after suffering a knee injury

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Earthquake toll

tour of W Indies

The death toll in the earthquake in central Greece rose to 13 as rescuers searched the wreckage. About 3,000 buildings were domaged by the two tremors which affected the Corinth area. The Army has pitched tents to shelter the homeless in Perahora, the worst his rillage.

General dismissed

General Alfonso Armada Comyn, one of Spain's top 10 generals who had close links with King Juan Carlos, has been dismissed as Deputy Chief of the Army General Staff after Monday's failed putsch.

Page 8 failed putsch.

The three British missionaries in Iran have been prevented from leaving the country as they were about to board an aircraft for Paris. Dr John Coleman, his wife Audrey, and Miss Jean Waddell were held back after a mysterious tele-Page 9 phone call Islamabad: Many prominent opponents of President Zia held in security raids

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Piccadilly over the

The Scotch of a lifetime



Mr Gormley satisfied by progress of coal talks with Government

By Paul Routledge

A multi-million pound package of subsidies for the coal industry began to take shape true. Mr David Howell, Secretary of State for Energy, is considering this view, and further talks between the Government, the National Union of Mineworkers and the National Coal board are to take place on

The cost of averting a national miners' strike over pit closures has yet to be settled, but union sources do not quar-rel with unofficial estimates that the price could rise to

Mr Joseph Gormley, president of the NUM, said after the talks at the Department of Energy: "I think the industry will get a good deal when the negotiations are finished. It will be good for the industry, good for Britain and good for the

miners."
The main plank of the rescue programme is a severe curtail-ment of coal imports from last year's figure of 7,500,000 tonnes to 5,500,000 tonnes in 1981-82 and then down to 2,500,000 tonnes in the next financial year. This move will involve buying out some long-term contracts for the purchase of cheap foreign coal entered into by the Central Electricity Generating Board.

NUM leaders have argued that new legislation is not required to implement the coal the industry.

subsidy scheme because the Coal Industry Act, 1974, implementing the tripartite Plan for

March 11. In yesterday's talks, both sides of the coal industry took up with ministers their jointlyagreed formula for helping the NCB's critical financial position. The Government was asked to subsidize not only import substitution costs but cut-price exports of British coal as well.

On the controversial issue of pit closure, coal board management gave a warning yesterday that its estimate of £68m a year to keep open the 23 pits threatened with closure until last week's big policy climb-down was "a very conservative minimum". The Cabinet is minimum. The Caomer is being urged to cover the whole cost of keeping open pits that still have reserves of coal.

Other demands put to minis-ters include abatement of the £185m a year paid in interest charge on capital; aid for stocking coal; more generous social grants to improve early retirement and voluntary redundancy schemes, and a shift back to regional development grants for

Local authority debt rises by 9% to £31,563m

The local government debt increased last year by 9 per cent from £28,956m to £31,563m.

Conservative MP

a disaster for many companies

whose directors were members of the institute, he said.

directors' chief

rebukes

The total local government debt for the United Kingdom for the period March 31, 1979, to March 31, 1980, was £36,643m. The interest cost of from £28,956m to £31,505m, according to figures by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy published yesterday.

The debt represents the amount of money local government is allowed to borrow by central government in order to finance its capital investment.

256,545m. The interest cost or the debt increased from 10.21 to 12.01 per cent in the same period. The debt is equivalent to £642 for every man, woman and child in England and Wales, and £962 in Scotland. Return of Outstanding Debt (Cipfa 1 Buckingham Place, London SWIE 6HS, £10).

Top civil servants support pay action

By Donald Macintyre Labour Reporter

The First Division Associa tion, which represents the high est grade of civil servants, last night agreed to back the cam-paign by the Whitehall unions for industrial action over pay.

The executive agreed to support the resolution to be form-ally approved by union leaders representing 530,000 white-collar civil servants at a full meet-ing of the Council of Civil Service Unions today.

Since it means that the union, the last to decide its stance, will be supporting the one-day walk-out on March 9, the decision gives a significant boost to the other moral

Mr John Ward, general secretary of the 8,000-member association, however, emphasized last night that it wanted to press the Government up to the last minute to negotate improvements on the present

The association is particu-larly concerned about what it sees as the vagueness of the Government's indications that it is prepared to hold talks about the future of pay bar-gaining for the Civil Service from next year.

For this year, after suspending the pay comparison method of fixing Whitehall salaries, the Government has made 2 7 per cent offer which has been flatly rejected by union nego-

The association's decision follows a ballot in which, by 300 votes, the union's members voted in a 77 per cent poll in favour of the unions' pay campaign. The result was 3,292 to 2,977.

There is an unwritten understanding that members at per-manent secretary level do not take part in industrial action. In addition it is accepted that manent secretary level do not take part in industrial action. In addition it is accepted that members who do not want to take part on conscience grounds, or the special nature of their work, need not do so.

Selected names being invited to write their biographies and send deposits for 'vanity title'

Lure of recognition for unsung and modest intellectuals

By Michael Horsnell

For a mere \$85 (standard edition) or \$165 (luxury edition: bound in leather, with gold embellishments and name embossed on the front cover in gold), modest and unsung intel-lectuals may soon be able to decorate their garrets with the recognition that has previously eluded them.

Volume 4 of the International Who's Who of Intellectuals is soon to be published by the International Biographical

Centre, Cambridge.
In preparation of this work the centre is inviting "selec-ted" intellectuals to write their own 550-word biographies and place their orders for copies, enclosing a \$40 (standard) or \$75 (luxury) deposit.

Accompanying such desirable roof of his intellectual capacity each entrant will

by a noted calligrapher, signed by two authorized officers of the International Biographical Centre, and officially sealed. This certificate is highly suitable for framing and hanging on a wall in home or office The International Who's Who

of Intellectuals? "Never heard of it", said the British Library, the Bodleian Library, Oxford, and the Cam-

bridge University Library. Under the legal deposit provisions of the Copyright Act, 1911, publishers are obliged to send a copy of all books pub-lished in the United Kingdom to the British Library.

The library is dispatching a claim form for volumes 1 to 3 to the centre, and the other four copyright libraries (in-

receive without charge a fine cluding the Bodleian and Cam-certificate of inclusion, "prin-ted on parchment, hand-lettered a similar joint demand under the Acr.

> I have news for them: only volume I has been published: found a copy in a small office in the village of Soham, near Ely, Cambridgeshire. It is the home of Melrose Press, of which the International Biographical Centre is an imprint A printed leaflet for intellec-

tual candidates for volume 4 informs them that in the first three volumes more than 7,000 men and women have been honoured by inclusion. Mr Roger W. G. Curtis, Mel-

rose's executive sales manager, said: "I am sorry if the British Library has not received a I cannot CODY. understand what happened. We have broken the law if they have not

received one, which I regret. We have had financial prob-lems. Volumes 2 and 3 will be amalgamated and published in

two or three months."

He added: "You might say the Who's Who is a vanity title. Top people read The Times; top people, we hope, want to be in our books. They do not have to pay for an entry, only for a copy of the book."

Melrose Press, a wholly British company, charges its cus-tomers in United States dollars. ("to guarantee my order enclose my deposit . . and I undertake to pay the balance on being billed by you") because they are mostly foreign. What sort of intellectual qualifies for inclusion?

Mr Curtis said: "An intellectual is someone I do not like defining. An intellectual, to some people; is someone sitting and C. Black of London.

does not normally responding We cannot go for hous names when producing a like this. They often wil complete a questionnaire do not publicize people w. not wish to be publicize would not put Bertrand R in, if he were alive, withow knowledge. I would only to get his mother's new terms. to get his mother's name 1 and I would be in trouble. Where do they find su.

entrants? "Basically nine times o ten we write to people have been in our other like The World Who's W. Women (1969) and Me. Achievement (1969)", Mr (

Church of

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inter-church steering committee of ecumenical experts.

The decision by the symmetries was taken by substant CC majorities, with bishops, design and laisten majorities.

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that the scheme will eventue require if it is to commit church irrevocably, but did

fall so far short as to make hurdle seem impossible.

The most strongly contes

issue concerned the way which women ministers airect ordained in the Free Church were to be included in the posals, in the light of Church of England's own willingness to ordain were

willingness to ordain won priests.

Despite sustained opposition the influential Ang

Catholic groups, with the support of some Evangelicals, the

proposals were found acce able by more than two to o of those voting, and by

majority of 144 to 89 among t

clergy, the closest vote of series of nine taken at the call

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England

covenant

By Clifford Longley

He told a Greater London Council election campaign meeting in Ealing that Tory backbenchers on the right and the left alike said that the Government had not the slightest idea where it was

going.

Mr Healey added: "Mr Biffen, Secretary of State for Trade, tells us with the author-

Healey jibe at 'ruins' of Tory policy By Our Political Staff

Mrs Margaret Thatcher's economic policy is in ruins and unemployment is spreading like a cancer into areas compara-tively immune in earlier recessions. Mr Dems Healey, MP for Leeds, East, and former Labour Chancellor of the Exchequer, said last night.

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Award to stimulate innovations

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A new award to stimulate better use by British businesses

By Our Political Staff
Mr Walter Goldsmith, of engineering and scientific talent at universities and poly-Mr Walter Goldsmith, director-general of the Institute talent at universities and poly-technics, was announced yester-day by Mrs Margaret Thatcher. In a speech in London the Prime Minister also promised a shake-up of government atti-tudes to business risk-taking and called for parallel changes of attitude towards innovators in the financial world and in of Directors, was attacked yes-terday by Mr Kenneth Lewis, Conservative MP for Rutland and Stamford, for allegedly mis-representing the views of Mr Goldsmith, has been a trenchant critic of the Govern-ment's subsidies to nationalized

the financial world and in society in general.

Mrs Thatcher said the super-cilious attitude in some sections industries at the expense of the private sector. Mr Lewis said that the of society towards engineers and council of the institute should control and vet Mr Gold-smith's speeches. Many of the policies he advocated would bt entrepreneurs had gone beyond ridiculous affectation to become

positively dangerous.

The new award, outlined by Mrs Thatcher in a speech to a lobbying group called the Parliamentary and Scientific

benefits and would, she said, give recognition to successful partnerships between companies and colleges.

The idea of a possible Queen's Award had, according to the word in Whitehall afterwards, been given new momentum. the highly successful meeting Mrs Thatcher held at Number month with a group of 10 last month with a group of invited inventors and inno-

need for commercial success was the theme of the Prime Minister's speech. And while she had no doubt that new technologies would produce "millions of new jobs", she acknowledged "what I am doubtful about is whether we in the United Kingdom will have our proper share".
But in calling for a change

those in charge of investment funds "must become more funds sympathetic towards the techni-

man beginning had been made but "the manager of every branch of every bank and every investment manager of every pension fund must know what to do if another Barnes Wallis or another Frank Whittle-(inventors, respectively, of the swing-wing and jet engine)-walks through his door whether it is in Cornwall or in Savoy Place.

New products and new busi nesses were "the only long-term solutions" to memploy ment, Mrs Thatcher said.

She found it extraordinary that people believed that new technology could be introduced only at the expense of jobs.



Mr Kenneth Clarke, Parliamentary Secretary at the Department of Transport (right), and Mr H. H. Sandford, chairman of the Greater London Council's Central Area Planning Committee, riding yesterday over part of a proposed three-mile cycle route through the heart of London. Running from Paddington station to Battersea Park, it will, it is hoped, be the first of a number of safe cycle paths

Reselection method agreed by Labour

After months of wrangling, the national executive of the Labour Party yesterday approved the method for mandatory reselection of parliament-acy candidates by constituency parties.

The final choice is to be made

By Clifford Longley
Religious Affairs Correspon
With unexpected enthus
the Church of England ye
day became the first England
denomination to declare
a candidate for a Christian u
covenant with other church
The governing bodie of The governing bodies of Methodist, United Reformand Moravian churches have decide later this year whether the arrangle set by the constituency general management committee sitting decide later this year when to follow the example set terday by the General Syno the Church of England, accepting a complicated inegotiable package that who worked out by the Church Council on Convenanting, inter-church steering committee. in its special capacity as a selection conference.

Many moderate Labour MPs bad feared that this conference could be presented with a list of candidates which excluded the sixing MP. That cannot happen under the rules now approved.

After yesterday's meeting, Mr Ronald Hayward, general secretary of the party, said:
"The MP will automatically be on the short list. That is one thing we have definitely laid

But if a local party execu-tive put forward a "shortlist" containing only the name of the MP, it would be open to the larger meeting to consider other candidates.

If the local executive con-sidered several potential candidates, properly nominated by sponsoring organizations, and then decided to put forward one recommended candidate, the selection conference could insist on examining the merits of the others.

Even though the smaller group, the executive, decided that the sitting MP was to go forward as candidate without other competitors, the larger meeting in which, for example, the left-wingers might have a bigger influence, could decide to seek further nominations. That would obviously be a snub

to the sitting member. The procedure was approved Catholic group had failed man esterday without opposition carry the middle ground of yesterday without opposition. A notable absentee was Mr Tom who has declared his support for the Council for Social P for Leicester, East Democracy. It is expected that he will resign from the NEC after he has had further talks with his union, the Transport Salaried Staffs' Association.

Yesterday be wrote apologizing for his obsence
Split averted: The influential
alliance of most leading trade
unions affiliated to the Labour Party has held together despite the threat of a split in its ranks (Our Labour Staff writes.) . The split was mended at a private meeting on Tuesday between Mr. David Basnett, general secretary of the General and Municipal Workers Union and the executive of the Amalgamated Union of Engin-

of Canterbury, Dr Robill Transition of Runcie, said there would be to be a change of attitude to the Church of England if C Lift [] tian unity was to become Free Church observers of debate described the result encouraging and hopeful.

Kenneth Greet, President of Wico covenant could lead to spring time in the East MCC (() [(

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Rate rise cancelled

Councillors at Chichester, West Sussex, yesterday reversed an earlier decision to recommend a district rate rise of 1p to 12p in the pound after one councillor said that many ratepayers were "standing in the shadow of unemployment".

Asians join

nationality

Bill protest

under the nationality Bill.

The representatives, who return to Nairobi today, say that the 10,000 Asians in Kenya

are so worried about the pro-posed legislation that they may come to Britain immediately to take advantage of the rule that they may register as British in

They say that, if they do not do this, they may, as British overseas citizens under the new

Bill, end up with serious difficulties because they would then have to live in Britain for five years before applying for naturalization. At present they simply have to apply for regis-tration as a British subject.

"Why should we have to pay £150 and have a language and character test in order to become naturalized when we have been British for years?" Mr Ramesh Desai, one of the representatives, asked.

The Kenvan Asians, who are mainly professional people, are British by birth or have parents who were British by registration, he says. The Government may well be making trouble for

itself by forcing large numbers

of Asians to come to Britain

Mr Desai and Mrs Usha Shah,

officials, Mr Roy Hattersley,

opposition spokesman on home affairs, MPs, and watching the

The Kenyan Asians are also

worried about their children. British overseas citizens would

zenship on to their children and

the Kenvan Government demands that in order to be

Kenyan, children have to have

one parent born there. A num-ber of Kenyan Asians would not

would therefore be stateless.

into this category and

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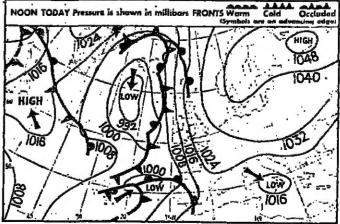
Two representatives of the

By Lucy Hodges

Asian community in Kenya have spent the past 10 days in London lobbying politicians to treat them as British citizens

through the centre of

Weather forecast and recordings



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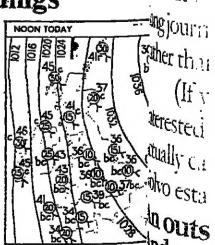
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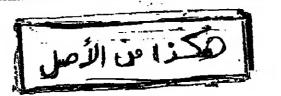
strong: max temp 6' to 7'C (43' to 45'F). urday: Cold and mostly dry, but some rain or snow may spread to SW later. Sea passages: S North Sea. Strait of Dover, English Channel (E): Wind SE, moderate, increas-



St George's Channel, Irish

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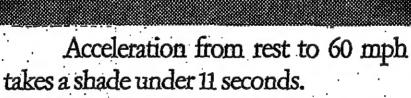
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But where the

By Diana Geddes

Education Correspondent There is no evidence that any local authority is breaking the law by failing to provide the quantity or quality of educa-tion required under the Educa-tion Act, 1944, Mr Mark Carlisle, Secretary of State for Education and Science, said

He was replying to a letter from the Advisory Centre for Education (ACE), a parents' lobby group, demanding that he name those local authorities which (Ace claimed the recent report on education spending cuts by the Schools Inspectorate (HMI) had indicated were in breach of the law.

The group further demanded that he use his powers under section 99 of the Act to compel those local authorities that were in default to fulfil their duties under the Act.

In a letter to ACE, Mr. Carlisle said: "The evidence on which the (HMI) report is based does not justify default action on my part . . . I do not accept your assertion that local distribution are fail. education authorities are failing in their statutory duties under sections 8 and 61 of the 1944 Education Act.

"Nor do I accept your view that the rate support gramt settlement prevents local autho-rities from executing effec-tively the national policy for providing a varied and comprehensive education service in any area in accordance with section

Sich a service continues to be provided, though resources devoted to it are limited by what the country can afford. The HMI report reveals weaknesses only institutions." in certain

Section 8 requires local authorities to provide schools sufficient in number, character and equipment to afford for all pupils opportunities for education offering such variety

Section 61 states that no fees shall be charged in respect of the admission to any maintained school, or the education provided in any such school. The High Court ruled yesterday that Hereford and Worcester had no legal right to charge for instru-mental tuition in schools.

Mr Carlisle said that the Government did not intend to name any individual local authorities. Much of the material for the HMI report had been provided on the under-standing that they would not be identified.

Miss Sheila Browne, senior chief inspector for schools, gave much the same answer when she was asked to "name names"
while giving evidence to the
Commons Select Committee on
Education, Science and the Arts yesterday.

Pressed again, however, she said she would reflect further on what she should do. She was not sure who had the right to possession of the information. It was not aquestion of her being prevented from providing the information by the Secretary of State or anyone else.

Asked whether the inspectorate believed that any of the 15 per cent of authorities identified in the report as being the worst providers were breaking the law under section 8, Miss Browne said she did not know the legal definition of what constituted "sufficient schools".

The final Percent with MAI

The final Report by the HMI on the effects on the education service in England of local authority expenditure policies in the financial year 1980-81 was officially published yesterday. Draft reports were made available to the press earlier this month. A report appeared in The Times on February 14. Copies of the final report copies of the final report may be obtained free from the publications dispatch centre, Department of Education and Science, Honeypot Lane, Canon's Park, Stanmore, Middlesex, HA7 1AZ.

London's entire public trans-port system, road and rail, should be the responsibility of a single body, the London Boroughs Association told the

should be given new powers.

Mr Simon Randall, chairman
of the association's housing and
works committee, said: "The

complex problems of British Rail and London Transport need

The new body, or the GLC, would need adequate powers and finance, the association

said. Its area could extend to the line of the new orbital

Mr Coral freed

on two charges

Bernard Coral, former manag-

ing director of the casinos divi-

sion of the Coral leisure group, was discharged from Highbury Magistrates' Court, London, yes-

terday, when the prosecution

offered no evidence against him

on two charges. His committal for trial had

been sought on charges of

attempting to defeat the course

of justice by concealing alleged

offences by employees of the former casino division. They

were both withdrawn and Mr

Coral was granted the cost of the day's proceedings.

GLC officials have said in

to be tackled jointly."

Joint road-rail authority

a single body, the London realistic and arrugant to say it boroughs Association told the Commons select committee on transport yesterday.

Either a public transport authority should be created or the Greater London Council the Greater London Council results were losses for industry, commerce and sender through the country of the count

oral evidence to the select com-mittee that although the coun-cil would have a strong voice in any new authority, it was un-realistic and arrogant to say it

commerce and trade through congestion and delay Financial cuts in London's road building and the present level of spending would ensure that the capital's road system, described in an earlier report

of the transport committee as a national scandal, would remain unchanged for many years.

New EEC proposals for in-creasing axle weights for heavy

vehicles would bring even bigger difficulties, it said.

Iordanis Vratsides, known as

Joe the Greek, unemployed and

of no fixed address, was com-

mitted in custody for trial at the Central Criminal Court by

magistrates at Highgate,

Mr Vratsides, who has been extradited from Italy, is alleged to have attempted to murder four people between August 24, 1978, and January 10, 1979; to have

committed seven robberles in the Greater London area totalling \$20.584 between July 29, 1978, and January 15, 1979; and he faces two characteristics.

Joe the Greek

sent for trial

London, yesterday.

for London proposed

Paisley activities over Dublin talks earn rebuke by Mr Atkins

Belfast

The activities of the Rev Ian Paisley over the past few weeks prompted a thinly disguised and unprecedented rebuke yester-day by Mr Humphreyl Atkins, Secretary of State for Northern

He did not name Mr Paisley, but that was hardly necessary. "Recent events demonstrate that there are people in the province who seek to stir up fear and tension and to foster division," Mr Atkins said.

Mr Paisley was swift to recog-nize himself i nthe reference and within a few hours issued a denial. Tomorrow, he holds the fourth of his 13 "Carson trail" rallies. To the dismay of many, he has defeated the weather and is pulling in crowds of several thousands in support of his theme of an intended British sell-out" over Ulster. Mr' Atkins insisted that all

talk of deals, conspiracies and betrayals arising from the Dub-lin meeting between the Prime Ministers of Britain and Ire-

The falsehood that the Government wished to sell out the Northern Ireland community by doing a deal with the Republic was used as a pretext to rouse sectarian bitterness and hatred, Mr Atkins said. The constitunot Ausins saw. The constitu-tional status of Ulster was not one of the subjects to be cov-ered in talks with the Dublin Government

Nothing in the acts or atti-

tude of the Government in any way justifies the view that we are not fully committed to our continuing responsibility for the government of this particular part of the kingdom. There has, been, and will be, no betrayal." Mr Paisley retorted that the fear in Ulster was caused by the joint communique issued after

the Dublin summit. There was no escaping the fact that dis-cussion of the constitutional relationships between Northern Ireland and Britain took place, and that Mr Atkins's comments were irreconcilable with the

MP withdraws backing for Ulster conference

By a Staff Reporter

A Labour MP yesterday
withdrew his sponsorship of a
conference next month challenging TUC policy on North-

The TUC general council yesterday endorsed a warning to trade councils that association with the conference would lead to deregistration.

The conference, under the title of "TUC Hands Off Ire-land", is due to be held in Covenity on March 14 and

seeks support for the H-Block hunger strikers. It is being organized by a group called the Smash the Prevention of Ter-rorism Act Campaign. Speakers will include representatives of Provisional Sinn Fein and the Irish Republican Socialist

Party. Mr Ernest Roberts, MP for Hackney, North and Stoke Newington, had agreed to spon sor it but yesterday his office issued a statement announcing his withdrawal. Business as usual for the part-time soldier who is astonished to be alive

UDR man survives his sixth terrorist attack

From Christopher Thomas Lisnaskea, co Fermanagh

Mr Roy Kells was on patrol last night in the freezing blackness of the co Fermanagh countryside, and the bullet wound above his left eye was blue from the wind.

On Monday night, a gunman had fired five shots at him through a plate glass window, and Mr Kells admits he is astonished to be alive. All day Tuesday, friends were telephoning and calling at his drapery shop in the High Street in Lis-nuskez, less than 10 miles from the border with the Irish republic.

Several nights each week he goes on pairol with the Ulster Defence Regiment, arriving home in the dark for a few hours sleep. His shop has been wrecked four times by terror-ists, and once before he has escaped an IRA bullet.

Mr Kells, aged 44, married with four sons and a daughter, came close to being the sixty-fifth person to be murdered in to Fermanagh in a decade. He was dressing the shop window, changing it from winter stock to spring, when he heard two cracks and looked round to see a young man crouched on the other side of the glass, a pistol held before him.

Mr Kells dived for cover as, three more bullets split the glass and thudded into the wall behind him. One grazed his head and drew blood. A young girl and boy who were also working on the window display suffered cuts from flying glass. The gunman escaped through

a bar next door, dashing past customers and out of the back door to a waiting Volkswagen, which had been stolen earlier. It was abandoned just over a



Mr Roy Kells looking at the bullet holes in the window of his shop.

small helicopter base was con-structed yards from the High Street, but on this occasion, unofficial sources say, one was not instantly available.

Mr Kells was working at the shop as usual on Tuesday, going home for a bowl of tomato soup at lunchtime and returning within 20 minutes. He recalled mile away.

There is almost always a so lucky; the last victim was helicopter ready for immediate Mr Ernest Johnston, killed at his home on the Fermanagh his many friends who were not-

Constability.

In March, 1976, Mr Kells was hanging drapes in a nearby school. A bullet from a high velocity rifle smashed through the classroom window and buried itself in the wall just above a ladder he had been

Polish union man

The TUC has taken the initiative in establishing links

Welcoming the visit as an

PC's bravery award

courage determination and devotion to duty in chasing

and arresting one of three men he had seen running from a house they had burgled in Pinner, London, last March,

The search for Mr James Cross, a wandering knife-grinder, who is suffering from a highly infectiods strain of tuberculosis, has had to be re-sumed because a man thought

to be Mr Cross and taken to hospital was a tramp looking for a hot meal and a free bed for the night

Boys on murder charge

Hunt for TB patient

for TUC talks

In brief

border in the autumn. He was, before the first murder a member of the Royal Ulster attempt. It is not custoattempt. It is not custo-mary for survivors of ter-rorist attacks to be named in the media but within a few hours of the latest attempt he allowed himself to be named Mr. Kells clearly bas no in-tention of leaving. He inherited the business from his father and

using.

His shop was bombed in 1972, Shirley, said: "We 1975 and 1976, and was badly carry on. You cannot damaged by fire eight days force you out". hopes to hand it down. His wife, Shirley, said: "We intend to carry on. You cannot let them

Nationalize fire service is sought

By Christopher Warman Local Government

The fire service should taken away from local gov ment control and formed one nationalized service, Chief and Assistant Chief Officers' Association said j policy statement yesterday, association called for a r commission inquiry into

The statement was issued response to a government sultative document, publis last summer, on the future the fire service.

The association "impartial review of all ac ries associated with the pro tion of society from rie other emergencies is now o due." There was no alterna if "partisan opinion is to subordinated to the over needs of society" end if morale of the service was be restored.

If the fire service remains a part of local government vision should be made to ens that the "safety of society not prejudiced by a change political influence in employ

authorities". The finance of any local ernment service was heavily pendent on the political will the authority concerned. are concerned that politi motivation in respect of [service activity is very smindeed by comparison we some other local government of services and at a time of straint we believe this must suit in a diminution of the service fire brigades throughth the country are able to possible.

What might be seen as will be saving by councils could me extra spending for the natic Because of the unique rositi of some organizations held the community they needed to tral government support.
The association was concerned that any judgments

the future structure of the fi service were made only aft all financial implications h-been assessed, not simp those related to local gover ment expenditure". Chief fire officers blamed to low morale existing in the fit service on pay and condition the strike of three years as and the Government's consult tive document, which examine the possibility of reducing the

service.
The lack of a single authorit for the fire service made ult mate accountability impossible Sir Gervas Walker, chairma of the Association of Count Councils, said the suggestion that councils should lose their responsibility for fire brigade was a direct and irresponsibil challenge to the democrat basis of local government se vices to the public". It was the

first step towards a totalitari

Lady Diana Spencer leaving Clarence House yesterday. Below, a souvenir linen towel in production in Belfast.



No pressure on

inquiry, MP told

Sir Arthur Armitage, who

produced last year's report on

lorries, people and the environment, firmly rejected sugges-

tions yesterday that the inquiry

had been set up as a means of bringing heavier lorries to

Giving evidence to the Commons Select Committee on

Transport, Sir Arthur stated thata he and his colleagues had

never been under any pressure

from the Department of Trans-

port. He also emphasized that

his recommendation had been

to allow heavier lorries, not

Container sizes and trailer lengths should be gixed at the present limits, he said.

Sir Arthur insisted that his

"But if you ask me whether

environmental improvements, if

we are to live with the beavier

lorry, the answer is yes," he

It was a mistake to believe

that the new by-passes called

for in the report were needed to accommodate heavier veh-

Such vehicles would, if any-thing, reduce the volume of traffic, but the by-passes were

needed to cope with present

icles, he pointed out.

report was not a package of proposals to enable the 44-ton

orry to be introduced.

heavy lorries

By John Young

Britain.

bigger ones.

Planning Reporter

Palace refuses to be drawn on rumours of Australian post for Prince of Wales

Officals at the Australian High Commission in London, and Buckingham Palace, refused to be drawn yesterday on rumours that the Prince of Wales would become Governor-General of Australia after his marriage to Lady Diana Spencer, expected to take place in late July.

sources pointed out that while both had close connexions with Australia, the job itself was largely ceremonial and could include the unwelcome possibility of the future King being dragged into the maelstrom of Australian politics.

Meanwhile, Lady Diana quickly settled into the routine of living in Clarence House and of living in Clarence House and becoming a fully-protected member of the Royal family. Accompanied by a policeman, she drove to Buckingham Palace to visit the Prince and read some of the 3,000 telegrams and hundreds of letters setn from all over the world congratulating the couple.

It was still unclear whether she would remain at Clarence House until the wedding.

and place is expected within the next few days. Westminster Abbey is the most likely choice. The Prince meanwhile continues with a busy chedule of public edgagements. Last night he attended a dinner as Colonel-in-Chief with the officers of the Cher wan the writers of the 2nd King Edward VII's Own Gutcha Rifles (The Sirmoof Rifles) in Hampshire.

At the end of next month he leaves on a four-week trip to New Zealand and Australia. It was amounted vesterials that

was announced yesterday that the Duke of Edinburgh will also visit Australia just before The Prince was reported to have bought a new racehorse to replace Allibar, which collapsed and died last week after a training session. He is understood to be buying Good Prospect, a 12-year-old steeple-chaser from the stables of trainer John Edwards, near Ross-on-Wye.

Scotland Yard yesterday dismissed reports that two men had attempted to break into the block in West London where Lady Diana has a flat. The Prince was reported to

Milk price controls must stay, minister says

ourselves out of our own mar-ket", he told members of the Royal Association of British Dairy Farmers in London.

He defended the system by which maximum retail prices are fixed by ministers. The course producers."

By Our Agriculture

Correspondent

Milk price controls had to stay. Mr Alick Buchanan-Smith, Minister of State for Agriculture, said yesterday. "We must clearly be careful not to price ourselves out of our own martine me that the ours is on them to me that the ourse is on them to me that the onus is on them to demonstrate that the changes

Two boys, aged 15 and 16, from Newbiggin-by-the-Sea, Northumberland, were committed by Ashington Juvenile Court yesterday for trial at Newcastle upon Tyne Crown Court accused of murdering Paul Hedley, aged 12, also of Newbiggin, whose body was found in a ditch on December 27.

£90,000 award Dame Cicely Saunders, a London specialist in pain control of don specialist in pain control of cancer, was yesterday awarded the £90,000 Templeton Founda-tion Prize for Progress in Religion. It will be presented by the Duke of Edinburgh at a ceremony in London in May.

Sir Robin Day elected Sir Robin Day, the political commentator and broadcaster, was elected chairman of the

Hansard Society for Parliamentary Government, at the society's annual meeting in the House of Commons last night.

Awards for 'Times' cartoonist By a Staff Reporter

Mark Boxer, "Marc" of The Times's feature page, yesterday won three awards out of six offered in a national Cartoonist with the independent trade union movement in Poland by inviting Mr Bogdan Lis, a lead-ing official of Mr Lech Walesa's Solidarity organization, for talks in London next week. of the Year competition. He topped the lists for the

political and social comment classes, and a representation of Mr William Rees-Mogg, editor of The Times, gained him the silver nib in the caricature opportunity to develop contact with the movement, the TUC general council emphasized its "Jak" of the London New

strong wish to respond posi-tively to requests from Soli-darity for assistance. "Jak" of the London New Standard won the categories for cartoons with royal and sporting subjects and John Glashan of The Observer won the strip cartoon class.

The Glen Grant Cartoonists of the Year awards were made by Seagram United Kangdom. Police Constable Brial Olds who was shor and garalyzed in a raid on an off-licence, received his third commendation for bravery yesterday for his

More Whitehall efficiency reviews proposed

By Peter Hennessy
The Government announced yesterday two new Whitehall efficiency reviews to be carried out by teams under Sir Derek

elimination of waste.

The reviews cover the provision of support services for the Government's scientific, research and development establishments, and official adminis-trative forms affecting the citizen and businesses. The idea

public The Civil Service Department will announce next month the scale of economies arising from last year's, trans-Whitchall Rayner scrutiny, as the exercises are officially known, of statistical services. About one statistical post in five will be abolished at a saving of £20m to the Exchenger.

Civil Service Department prinpal, with the belp of Dr Elibeth Thoms, a member of a Derek's staff. Pilot studies w out by teams under Sir Derek be undertaken in six departance of Marks and Spencer, and the Prime Minister's adviser on the elimination of wasre. security; the lesson learnt w bave general applicant in Whi

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partments.
Mr Payne's report is due W 1001
the end of the year. The resu abolished at a saving of £20m of both investigations will got to the Exchequer. the Prime Minister by way to be led by Mr Malcolm Grant, a Lord President of the County of

300 MPs back blocked Bil committee of the Local Gove: hum.

By Pat Healy Social Services Correspondent

The Government appeared last night to have changed its mind on the need for stronger legislation on access to public

ment (Miscellaneous Provision (Scotland), Bill. A similar amendment light by

Dublin disco fire victim The St Valentine's Day disco fire in Dublin claimed its forty-seventh victim yesterday with the death in hospital of Mr Brendan O'Meara, aged 19, of Coolock, Dublin. A similar amendment line been tabled by a group of Mr amendment line been tabled by a group o Unemployed who get high benefits try harder to find work fined

By Peter Evans
Home Affairs Correspondent
The higher the benefits the unemployed receive, the more they want to find work, according to a report today by the Policy Studies Institute. "This relationship is the opposite of what you might think it would be". Mr. David L. Smith. Asians are badly affected in is that repole continue to be be", Mr David J. Smith, Asians are badly affected in author of the report, Unemploy those respects because their ment and Racial Minorities, families tend to be larger.

Says. The report was financed by

The reason given in the the Department of Employ-report is that those with large ment and the Manpower Serfamilies find it harder to vices Commission. It is based manage on their benefits than on a survey of 2,450 unemthose with small ones. Those ployed people from various with higher benefits and large areas, including 1,550 members families are more likely than of ethnic minorities.

On average, the income of

On average, the income of of job that may be available unemployed men has fallen to and those who work in small and make more job applications.

On average, the income of the unemployed men has fallen to and those who work in small establishments where trade earnings, the report finds. Only unions are not established. They are more likely to be 3 per cent of white men and Asians and West Indians are West Indian teenage boys, compared about being out of 5 per cent of mindrify group much more at risk than whites, pared with 19 per cent of Studies Institute, 1.2 Castle Legislation and Problems, to have debts, benefits than they had earned. compared with the difference any course; and 19 per cent cluding postage).

ties the previous pay of the between an unskilled worker unemployed was well below the and a university professor.

as those who became unem-ployed recently. The evidence is that people continue to be unemployed because of things they cannot change and not because they have made little effort to find work. People with the lowest grade jobs are at least six times as

likely to be unemployed as those with the highest. Among those most at risk are people

Among the West Indian male 2 government course."

unemployed, the 16 to 24 age group accounts for 45 per cent, compared with 29 per cent among whites. In the case of Asians, the young form about the same proportion of the unemployed as of the workforce. Among whites, they are a higher proportion.

Only a minority of unem-ployed 16 to 19-year-olds have been accepted for any training course, although most of them have been without work for long periods. Many more West with no qualifications, a limit Indian teenagers than white or ing disability and short service. Asian have found places on Asian have found places on courses, including government ones.

ones.
"Thirty-three per cent of

and to suffer hardships as a Yet among whites and minori- in risk of being unemployed of West Indian teenage bo of West Indian teenage compared with 15 per cents whites, have been accepted with the course." Among those aged 20 to

the proportions who have b. accepted for a course are m entire same among reenagers. The Manpower Services C mission denied that the figure indicated reverse discriminations

"This is directed at the B disadvantaged people in area. We tend to give prio cations. Those with the name of the cate o

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Staff Reporter
Observer yesterday gained
third owner in five years.
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to a newspaper with one
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revival came with the ship of J. L. Garvin, and roprietorship of the first Astor, whose descendant,



Mr Robert Anderson, chair- Mr Donald Trelford, editor man of Atlantic Richfield

Mr Astor remained editor until 1975, and by then the newspaper was suffering increasing financial losses. After a long dispute during that year, substantial reductions in man-ning were achieved but were



of "The Observer"

not enough to end the news-paper's difficulties. So in November, 1976 the newspaper unwillingly decided to seek an external backir. After a number of wealthy figures had been mentioned as

as possible buyers, The Observer was taken over by Atlantic Richfield. The new owners promised to maintain the paper's editorial traditions and journalistic standards but they were unable

to stem the losses. to stem the losses.

If the newspaper's editorial woic chas become less distinct in recent years, its immediate difficulties have been most apparent in its industrial relations. Twice since the Atlantic Richfield takeover the closure of the paper has been threatened because of industrial disputes.

Last summer it was estimated that the company had spent \$20m on The Observer, and this with the recession deepening, there was no sign of any significant improvement.
While the closure of The Sunday Times for 11 months in

1978 gave the newspaper a big increase in circulation, the gain was only temporary and last year it slipped into third position among the quality Sunday newspapers, behind The Sunday Times and the Sunday Tolegroph.

Oil chief to stay on as newspaper chairman

From Ivor Davis Los Angeles

Mr Robert Anderson, chairman of Atlantic Richfield (Acto), said in Los Angeles last night: "My discussions with Mr Roland 'Tiny' Rowland, chief executive of Lombo, have convinced me of his personal desire and interest in maintaining the high standards maintaining the high standards of journalism, its quality, integrity and independence, which have been the hallmarks of The Observer for nearly two centuries, and which Atlantic Richfield has endeavoured to support since it acquired The support since it acquired The Observer over four years ago."

Mr Anderson, who will cou-tinue as chairman of the news-paper, added; "The Outram group will not only provide British national ownership to The Observer, but also can by their proximity give greater support to the management".

Mr Michael Parr, a company Mr Michael Part, a company spokesman in Los Angeles, said yesterday: "We have never envisioned ourselves as being newspaper publishers, the first place because of the newspaper's plight. It seemed a worthy thing to do, a philantifly once move.

"It became increasingly evident over the past year or two ness some five or six thousand miles away from the main Los office was quite Households better off but regional lifestyles vary

North tops egg-eating league and Scotland is ahead on bread

hold in the United Kingdom is materially better than a decade ago, with more people having a telephone, central heating and a refrigerator, according to a survey published today.

Against a background of a doubling in memployment, the proportion of households with a telephone doubled to two thirds of the total and twice es many households, now about half, have central heating.

But the extent to which a household matches the national honsehold matches the national average depends entirely on where it is. In Wales and Northern Iteland, half or less of the households have a telephone and in the North, Yorkshire and Humberside, less than half have a car, compared with 58 per ceut nationally.

The Welsh eat more butter and potaness, the Scots more bread and Northerners more bread and Northerners more bacon, eggs, cakes and biscuits

bacon, eggs, cakes and biscuits than any other region, while residents in the South-east and East. Anglia eat more fresh fruit and vegetables, meat and

The Welsh drink the most tea and the least coffee, while people in the South-west drink the, most coffee and the least tea. Milk is the favoured drink in the East Midlands, where on average residents consume a pint more per person a week than those in the North. The sick fare best in Scotland; where doctors' average list sizes are the lowest in Britain.

Those in the East Midlands are the highest.
Scotland and Northern Ireland have the best availability of hospital beds, at 11 per 1,000 people, compared with the worst availability of 6 per 1,000 in the Oxford Area Health

Wales has the biggest incl-dence of death from heart disease; 535 per 100,000 popula-tion, which is 20 per cent higher than elsewhere. It also has the largest number of National Health Service pres-criptions issued per person a year; a total of 8.7 against the average of 6.8.

The Welsh also collect £50.39 in sickness benefit per person, twice the English average of £25.23.

Lifestyles vary: in the North, with the highest average gross weekly wage, £97.83, except for the Southeast, the average person eats just over five ounces of bacon and at least four eggs a week more than anyone else in the country. The North also has the

highest birthrate for women aged between 15 and 19 (38 per 1,000 compared with 31 per 1,000 nationally) and one quarter of women marrying were under 20 years old. In Yorksbire and Humberside,

people spend less in a week than anywhere else. Weekly household spending in 1978-79 was £78.54, almost 10 per cent below the national average. The region boasts the highest proportion of households with

washing machines, the lowest average house prices (£15,003 compared with £19,925 nationally in 1979) and more benefits for pensioners, including assistance with television licences and home helps, than elsewhere.

East Anglia has the fastest growing population in the country, chiefly because of people moving to the area. Although earnings are relatively low, an attraction is that it has the country's highest proportion of its dwellings, 18 per cent, built since 1970.

Households in general are

Households in general are more materially prosperous there than elsewhere. East Anglia has the highest proportion with central heating. One of the sharpest contrasts is between the South-east and Northern Ireland. The former remains top of the regions for earnings, with an average gross weekly wage for men of £108.50 (£101.40 nationally).

The South-east has the highest average weekly expenditure. It has the lowest unemployment (5 per cent in July last year), the highest average house prices (£25,000)

Northern Ireland is still the poorest region in terms of gross domestic product and personal income and five of its districts.

domestic product and personal income and five of its districts had unemployment rates of 20 per cent or more in 1980.

More than one in five house-holds in 1978-79 had a gross weekly income of less than £30 Regional . Trends—1981 edition (Government Statistical Service, £11.95 net. Stationery Office).

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Hugh Fraser and his family

transport, motors, construction, farming and publishing.

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The Lonrho Affair", led to the remark by Mr Edward full takeover hid and the deal as referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission.

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neth Gosling Radio should aim to From Our Correspondent all its output available all its output available if by 1990 and replan hedules accordingly, a vorking party report on service radio in the

Mr Gerald Hughes, chairman of Berkshire County Council's education committee, suspended himself from office yesterday pending an official inquiry into Mediterranean school cruise on which councillors and officers travelled free.

Speaking the day after flying home from the two-week trip. Mr Hughes said it had not been a "fun cruise" and criticism had been uninformed and speculative.

Mr Hughes and his wife Edith, also a county councillor, were among 14 * administrative staff, on the cruise who travelled in free berths paid for

The 940 Berkshire school children and 63 teachers on board paid £270 each. Mr Peter Edwards, Berkshire's director of education, and his wife also travelled free.

Yesterday Mr Hugnes met Mr Robert Gash, the council's chief executive, who has been ordered to conduct an official

Afterwards Mr Hughes said: "I have decided that the appro-priate course is to suspend my-self from all activities and duties as chairman to free myself to deal with the inquiry. myself to dear with the inquiry.

"But I would like to emphasize this was not a fun cruise but hard work. The administrative party travelled on the strict understanding that we would be spared more of the duties on board."

"My wife and Mr Edward's wife both acted as mother figures to the children, apart from doing their share of dormitory work and supervision of

most controversial option ected to be the coms fourth, described yesby Mr Aubrey Singer, ing director of BBC as the most interesting and one that would need areful thought.

is proposed by a group ocal radio and the world and says that Radios 1 should be for music and is; Radio 3, should carry irama; and there should ational public affairs netwind a local home service. Iking to the Broadcasting Guild in London, Mr said the report represen agenda for the 1990s; important but it was a informing rather than a Mr Hughes, a retail chemist, said that because of the publicity surrounding the trip his shop staff had been abused by customers. "My shop windows have been daubed with slogans and stink bombs let off inside", he said.

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Ps reject appeal on sex op law loophole

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Mr Timothy Sainsbury, Conservative MP for Hove and the sponsor of the Bill, said that art galleries and museums dealt in material that was of a limited nature. The sort of devices display in sex shops could not be mistaken.

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rgeon is fined)0 for .

John Douglas Welch, aged senior registrar of cardiosenior registrar of cardio-cic surgery at the London ital, was convicted at lesex Crown Court vester-of stealing two violins, a r and a Chanot, and of g and obtaining £200 £800 by deception from A. Beare Ltd, violio rs, of Soho.

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Man aged 88 escapes

driving ban

From Our Correspondent

Wolverhampton
Frederick Simms, aged 88, escaped a driving ban after telling magistrates at Warley, West Midlands, yesterday that it would interfere with his hobby of photographing wildlife.

"I would be absolutely shattered if I lost my licence.", Mr Simms, said.

Mr Simms, of Moorfield, Belbroughton, Hereford and Worcester, admitted failing to report an accident and was fined £5. His car was in collision

report an accident and was fined £5. His car was in collision with a bus.

After hearing that Mr Simms drove about 8,000 miles a year pursuing his photographic interests, the bench decided not to disqualify him or order him to take another driving test.

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Photograph by John Manning

Harry Secombe, the comedian, outside the church at Sutton, Surrey, that will become an arts centre named after him. A trust aims to raise £250,000 for the project, to supplement a £500,000 council grant.

Edinburgh Festival's quality survives cuts

By Martin Huckerby

Cologne Opera, San Francisco Ballet and the Greek theatre company Amphitheatre are among the guests at this year's Edinburgh Festival, which runs from August 16 to September 5. Financial difficulties mean that there will be rather fewer

events this year than in 1980, perhaps 150 this year as against 175 last year, but the festival organizers believe that the quality of the programme has been maintained.

The festival will open with Bach's St Matthew Passion, with the London Symphony Orchestra under Claudio Abbado There will be eleven orchestras in all, including the Norddeutscher Rundfunk Orchester under Klauh Tennstedt and the Camerata Lysy with Yebudi Menuhin.

After last year's writers' conereuce, there will be a dramatists' conference, while the visual arts will include two exhibitions from the Museum of Modern Art in New York, American Abstract Expressionists and an exhibition of con-temporary American photography, Mirrors and Windows. Cologne Opera will present to prepare", partly because of The Barber of Seville, with Alicia Nafé, Leo Nucci and Luigi Alva, and Mozart's La Clemenza di Tito, with Brigitte Fassbaender and Werner Boll-foreign governments reluctant

will perform Thea Musgrave's he Voice of Ariadne. San Francisco Ballet will give four performances of Proko-views Romeo and Juliet choreo-graphed by Michael Smuin, as well as two programmes of shorter works.

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There will be a visit from Dan Wagoner and Dancers from New York and the London Contemporary Dance Theatre will be in residence during the festival, presenting a new full-length ballet by Robert Cohan, with music by Carl Davis.

Drama will include two productions from a company formed by the Bitmaingham Repertory Theatre and Haymarket Productions; one already annotinced is Rostand's Cyrano de Bergerac, with Derek

Cyrano de Bergerac, with Derek Jacobi in the title role. The National Theatre will give the premiere of On the Razzie, Tom Stoppard's adaptation of a farce

by Nestroy, with Felicity Kendal leading the cast. Recitals will be given by such artists as Hermann Prey, Vladimir Ashkenazy, Krystian Zimerman. Mauricio Pollini and Margaret Price.

Mr John Drummond, the fesprogramme had been murder weg; the Cologne Opera Studio to provide money for companies I the Rebels ".

ITN film of award

By a Staff Reporter
Independent television companies yesterday won most of
the 1980 Royal Television
Society awards for television
journalism, with Independent
Television News receiving the

hard news award for its much praised coverage of the storming of the Iranian Embassy.

Jos Snow, of ITN, was named television reporter of the year for reports from Afghanistan, from Iran on the ill fared. attempt to ressue the American hostoges and from the Iraq-Iran war about the rescue of the passengers and crew from a

trapped ship, in which he swam out to the ship.

Thames Television won the current affairs award for its TV Eye programme on Gdansk, North, for Look North, and Associated Television for ATV Today. The regional news story

embassy raid wins

while the BBC's Panorama programme received the in-vestigative journalism award The daily news magazine sward was shared by BBC

ward went to Harlech Television for its reporting of the St Paul's riot in Bristol.
Gerry Goad, of the BEC, won the award for television cameraman of the year and a special judge's prize went to Nick Downie for "Afghanistan—With Pachals"

Britain's welfare states attacked

food to pensions; an unearned income welfare state; and a private market welfare state, company welfare state, he suginvolving the buying of such services as education pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that companies should pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that companies should pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that companies should pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that companies should pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that companies should pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that companies should pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that companies should pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that companies should pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that companies should pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that companies should pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that the suggests that companies should pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that the suggests that companies should pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that the suggests that companies should pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that the suggests that companies should pay for fringe benefits out of the suggests that the s

Minister seeks a

for air travellers

ir Correspondent International trade had be-

come more open but the civil aviation industry was one of

the last bulwarks of protection-ism. Lord Trefgarne, Parlia-mentary Under Secretary of

State for Trade, told a conference on European aviation at

the Royal Aeronautical Society

Civil aviation was a mature

industry yet it was still not able freely to offer the products

to the consumer. The Govern-

ment believed the tightly regulated fare and routing

system "does not result in the best deal for airline passengers

nor, in the long run, is it in the interests of the airlines

themselves". European airlines must be

efficient and productive to sur-

vive. Maintaining such a highly

protected European market would not help them achieve the efficiency and the produc-tivity they needed.

see a measure of freedom for

on commercial market forces.

Authorities might have to

check on some fares to see that

they were generally in line with

costs and that there was no abuse of monopoly, Lord Tref-

garne said.
Dr T. J. O'Driscoll, executive director of the European Travel

Commission, said that international tourism in and to Europe would almost double by

The Government wanted to

in London yesterday.

better deal

By Arthur Reed

been based on the assumption Five different welfare states that welfare programmes can need to be reformed if poverty be paid for out of economic

be paid for out of economic growth. This is no longer a gr

welfare services as education and health; as well as the tradictional welfare state.

Introducing his book at a meeting in the House of Commons yesterday, Mr Field said:

Most of postwar politics has income that has already been taxed, and that the gain derived from such perks should be brought within the tax net.

Reform of the unearned welfare and the State (Fontana, income welfare state would be

Mr Field believes that would lead to the private market welfare state withering away. He does not advocate outlawing expenditure on private medi-cine and health services. The resources from such reforms could provide a big increase in child benefit, a new

unemployment benefit, a one-parent family allowance, a new disability benefit, pensioner credits and rent allowances. Mr Field, a former director of the Child Poverty Action Group, believes that his reforms would greatly diminish the state's power over people's lives and cut direct personal

Private sector link 'might improve NHS efficiency'

The National Health Service and certain social services are encouraged in a new booklet to consider joining forces with the private sector to improve efficiency.

The document, Care in Action, which was published yesterday by Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social Services, is a handbook for the members of the new district health authorities, and for local authority social services committee members.

It repeats the Government's emphasis on improving services for the growing numbers of elderly, and for the mentally ill and handicapped, and says maternity services and care of the newborn are a priority in the face of recent criticism from the select committee on the list of only 21,000 in the

But with reepated warnings that it cannot be assumed that, more money will always be available for the health service. it emphasizes the importance of voluntary care, lists 13 examples of savings that can be made, and encourages the contracting out of services such as laundry and catering, and also of treatment where that can be done more cheapiy.

It says health service plan-ning should take account of private beds in the area and that sharing of private sector and health service staff may eventually be possible. Where capital is scarce, expensive equipment ight he obtained by encouraging a private developer to provide it under contract, i

The rate of decline has slowed however, with a reduction in six months from March, 1980.

Sterilization delays alleged

the airlines to offer fares based | By a Staff Reporter

The National Health Service is failing to meet the demand for male and temale sterilization, according to a report by the Birth Control Trust.

The report, based on a survey of area health authorities in thirds of the 30 that provided detailed information, women wanting sterilization had to wait six months or longer. Only six months or longer. 1978, shows that in almost two

had a waiting time of less than

three months.

Mr. Jane Roe, the author, said the number of NES operations had almost certainly risen. but from anecdotal evidence the waiting lists had risen too. Sterilization was a cost-effec-tive means of birth control in

When a resident landlord dies orier hand, lettings by resident landlords of part of a larger build-

Before Lord Wilberforce, Lord Fraser of Tullybelton, Lord Russell of Killowen, Lord Keith of Kinkel and Lord Roskell [Speeches delivered February 19] Under the Rent Act, 1977, where a resident landlord granted a contractual renancy of part of the house in which the landlord berself lived, the tenant was not protected by the Act, so that when the landlord died her executors were entitled to bring the contractual tenancy to an end by nonce; and after the 12-month period to be disregarded under Schedule 2, paragraph 1, they could obtain possession against the tenant. The tenant did not become a statutory renant even if at the end of the

"disegard" period there was no resident landlord.
The House of Lords, Lord Rostiki diseasing, allowed an appeal by the personal representatives of Miss M. T. Newman, the decrased resident landlord of ground floor premises in a house in Lyncroft Gardens, Cricklewood, London, and let to Mrs Louisa Stoane. They and let to Mrs Louisa Stoane. They appealed from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Stephenson, Lord Justice Bridge and Lord Justice Bridge and Lord Justice Templeman) (The Times, April I. 1989; [1980] 3 WLR197), which, had allowed Mrs Stoane's appeal, against an order for possession made by Judge Leslie in Bloomsbury and Marylebone County Court and had held that under the Act's provisions in the events which happened her contractual temancy had been converted into a statutory temancy. Mr R. N. Bernstein, QC, and Mr Raul Morgan for the personal representatives; Mr Derek Wood, QC, and Mr Andrew Arden for Mrs Sloane the tenant.

loane the tenant... LORD WILBERFORCE said that the appeal arose from a letting of residential premises by a resident landlord, a matter regulated by the Rent Act, 1977. On March 4, 1978, Miss Newman let rooms on the ground floor to Mrs Sloane on a weekly tenancy at file a weekly floor, died on August-11, 1978, and the appellants were her executors. -floor, died on August-11, 1978, and the appellants were her executors. On December 17, 1978, they gave Mrs Sloane notice to quit with effect from February 28, 1979. Mrs Sloane obtained a deferment until June 28, 1979, from a rent tribunal which, however, increased the rent to £15 a week exclusive of rates. Her contractual tenancy ran out

to £15 a week exclusive of rates. Her contractual tenancy ran out on July 4, 1979. On July 19 (within the period of 12 months from the landlord's death) the executors issued a summons claiming possession and mesne profits. That relief was granted by the county court judge; but his decision was reversed by the Court of Appeal.

The basic division of residential tenancies used to be between unfurnished and furnished premises. The Reut. Act., 1974, altered the law, so that furnished tenancies which previously had only a llunited degree of protection became entitled to the full protec-

Individual music tuition ... in school must be free

Regina v Hereford and Worcester Local Education Authority, Ex parte Jones Before Mr Justice Forbes A local education authority is

not endited to charge a parent any fee for individual musical tuition provided for a pupil in school. His Lordship made a declaration that Hereford and Worcester Local Education Authority was not entitled, by reason of section 61(1) of the Education Act, 1944, to charge the applicant, Mr Eric of the Education Act, 194, to charge the applicant, Mr Eric William Jones, with any fee for clarinet tuition provided in Pershore High School for his daughter Helen Elizabeth Jones, or for violin fulfon provided in St Nicholas Church of England Middle School, Piovin, for his daughter Ruth Hannah Jones.

Mr R. H. Tucker, QC, and Mr M. P. Revnolds for the applicant: M. P. Reynolds for the applicant; Mr. Alan Flercher for the educa-tion authority. HIS LORDSHIP said that the

Mr. Alan Freezher for the education authority.

HIS LORDSHIP said that the matter concerned the provision by schools of individual tuition on musical instruments. The applicant, who happened to be deputy headmatter of Pershore High School, had two daughters; Helen aged if attended-that school, and Ruth aged II another school. They were hoth of musical aptitude. Helen had received tuition in the clarinet since September, 1975, and Ruth in the violin since September, 1975, and Ruth in the violin since September, 1979. Those individual instrumental lessons were provided free of charge. On Rebruary 25, 1980, however, the county general inspector of music sent a letter to parents stating that from the commencement of the summer term in 1980 charges would be levied for individual and group lessons, individual lessons being \$10 a term.

The applicant maintained that the authority was not entitled to charge for musical tuition because it was part of the education provided in the schools, and under section 51(1) of the Education Act. 1944, no fees should he charged. Section 51(1) of the Education Provided in the schools, and under section 51(1) of the Education provided in any such school maintained by a local authority or in respect of the education provided in any such school in the section and training, and there was a clear distinction between that and the provision of facilities for recreation and social and physical training referred to in section 33.

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The education authority had provided individual musical tuition. during normal school hours as part of the daily timetable. At least three examining boards provided O and A level certificates for perfurning on musical instruments. Tuition in playing an instrument was part of education, and an education authority was entitled to include it in the carriculum if it wished. it in the carriculum if it wished. Provision of such tuition was a matter for the education authority. It was plain that the Hereford and Worcester authority was faced with a very difficult task. It had to review the provision of education in its schools against a background of financial limitations. ground of financial limitations, which meant something would have to be cut and unless that was upreasonable no court would

interfere. The authority decided that the basic statutory provision of educa-tion had to be maintained, and that what it regarded as matters which were to some extent extraveous to that would have to be paid for. That was where the authority fell into error. If the authority had decided it could no longer afford to deploy scarce resources on individual musical tuition and had stopped it. It was doubtful if the court would interfere. But if the authority did provide individual musical tuttion, section hi(1) provided that no fees should be charged. Accord-ingly the tuition provided for the applicant's daughter was educa-Solicitors: Mr. H. Pierce, Mr. Peter Pilgrem, Worcester.

The only provision which led Lord Justice Bridge and the other members of the Court of Appeal to hold that that was not the effect of landfords of part of a larger building (other than a purpose built block of flats) were removed from full protection so long as the landford remained resident.

By section 1 of the 1977 Act a letting of a "dwelling house", which included a part of a building, was a "protected tenancy".

By section 2, when a protected tenancy came to an end, the remannerment a "startfory tenant" so the Act was that contained in Sche-dule 2, paragraph 3: "Throughout any period which, by virtue of paragraph 1 above, falls to be disany period winch, by writer of paragraph 1 above, falls to be discegarded for the purpose of determining whether the condition in section 12(1) (c) is fulfilled with respect to a tenancy, no order shall be made for possession of the dwelling house subject to inat tenancy, other than an order which might be made if that tenancy were, or as the case may be, had been a regulated tenancy."

Whatever quality might be claimed for that paragraph, clarity was not one, either as to wording or as to policy. For the tenant it was contended that its effect was to inhoduce, after the determination of the contractual tenancy, a period of "wast and see" until the period of disregard came to an end—to "wast and see" whether a new resident landlord entered into occupation; if he did not a stantager tenancy arose; if he did not.

Two reasons prevented his Lordtenancy, came to an end, the remain became, a "statutory tenant" so long as he occupied the dwelling house as his residence. Thus a statutory tenancy arose only by conversion from a protected tenancy, which itself was contractual. The case of "resident landlords" was

an exception carved out of that an exception carved out of that structure: it was dealt with by section 12 and Schedule 2. Broadly, a tenancy of a "dwelling house" let by a resident landlord was not a protected tenancy, so long as the landlord continued to reside in a part of the building; and the landlord might regain possession of the portion he had let.

The case when a resident landlord died during the currency of a tenancy such as the present was dealt with in Schedule 2. Since the requirement (section 12(13)) that the landlord must remain resident until the termination of the con-

Two reasons prevented his Lordslap from accepting that. First, it might produce an unjust result which Parliament could not have intended. It denied to the executors of a resident landlord what would seem to be an undeniable until the termination of the con-tract, could not be complied with if he was dead, the schedule introwould seem to be an undeniable right, to remove a tenant who had no contractual right to stay on, in order to realize a valuable asset. On that interpretation all they could do would be to introduce another resident landlord who could then take his own steps to determine the tenancy. But that might severely depreciate the value: for who would pay a vacant possession price for a house, part of which was occupied by a tenant, to remove whom would at the best involve delay (for a rent tribunal might be appealed to) and, at worst, lieigation?

Secondly, it involved conferring on the tenant a statutory tenancy at the end of the period of disregard (if no new resident landlord came in) although the paragraph did not say so. His Lordship found significant in that connexion the very different and explicit language elsewhere in the Act where if he was dead, the schedule introduced for the behefit of his estate
a period of "disregard". Paragraph 1(c) fixed that, in the case
of personal representatives, as a
period of not more than 12 months
from the date when the landlord's
interest vested in them.

The purpose was to confer on
the personal representatives the
same remedies in respect of the
tenancy as would have been exercisable by the resident landlord
whose estate they represented, the

cisable by the resident landlord whose estate they represented, the period of non-residence by the personal representatives being disregarded. The policy behind the provisions was reasonably clear. First, if the Act was to work and if owners of houses were to be induced to let rooms, it was essential that the dware shoud be able to restrict pressestion of the proction let. regain possession of the portion letso that he could sell with vacant
possession. His house was probably
his major asset, and if he could not
sell it at its full value, he would
not let. The Act clearly allowed
him to do that, subject only to the
overlifeation that he must remain significant in that connexion the very different and explicit language elsewhere in the Act where it desired to create a statutory tenancy in notional circumstances: Schedule 24, paragraphs 3(2) and 7. It had to be remembered that, by definition, a statutory tenancy arose only after a protected tenancy so that special and explicit provision was needed if a statutory tenancy was to arise in such a case as the present where there was no protected tenancy to precede it. His Lordship regarded the words in paragraph 3—that no order for possession might be made throughout the period of disregard—as quite insufficient to achieve that: indeed, they carried the contrary implication that an order could be made for possession after the period had ended—provided that him to do that, subject only to the qualification that he must remain in residence until the tenancy came to an end.

Secondly, his personal representatives must be able to realize the house. So though in fact they might not be resident, they were, by the process of "disregard", treated as resident, if the testator had been resident. Thus one would expect that they could serve a notice to quit, regain possession, and sell. Anything which prevented them from doing that would be unjust to the landlord's estate and confer an uncovenanted benefit on the tenant.

tenancy in existence. Further there remained the diffi-

cult question: what was the starus of the tenant in the intermediate period between the termination of the contractual tenancy and the arising of the statutory tenancy? His Lordship found no difficulty in the elew that the tenant was simply a person holding over without any right to do so against whom an order for possession could not, temporarily and by virtue of the statute, be made.

His Lordship simply read paragraph 3 as doing what it said, hamely, giving, for a reason which seemed good to Parliament, an extra period of grace, correspondextra period of grace, corresponding to the executor's year, in a case where no new resident landlord had been introduced. Reniegislation was full of compromises, and the present night be one. His Lordship preferred to interpret paragraph 3 as an unexplained concession—in the tenant's favour—to the intense convolutions and potential injustice of the contentions for the tenant. contentions for the tenant.

One other line of argument was that if the contractual tenancy extended beyond the executor's year, the tenant would become protected, and '50 2 statutory tenant. That was no doubt so under the terms of the Act. But under the terms of the Act. But that was not an argument for giving the same benefit to a renam whose tenancy determined in the executor's year. If anything, it created an anomaly which required correction; in fact it had partly been so corrected by the Housing Act, 1980, section 65(5). It was also said that, in the latter case, a rent tribunal might extend the tenancy beyond the 12 months—in which case too the tenant would become statutory. Lord Justice which case too the tenant would become statutory. Lord Justice Templeman had described that as a terrible power, with deterrent effect against the executors' argument. His Lordship did not find it so deterrent. The power of rent tribunals to after contractual arrangements was inherent in the legislation; in many cases they might after what would otherwise be the legal situation.

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be the legal situation.

But it must not be assumed that the rent tribunal would act so as seriously to affect legal rights; deliberately to do so would be su abuse of power," and if, as was likely, most cases before them were either of short periodic tenancies, or, of fixed tenancies (in which case they could not extend the period), if was not to be assumed that, with paragraph 3 of Schedule 1 and the Protection from Eviction Act, 1977, available for the tenant, they would readily take action which would radically affect the landlords' rights. In the end the merits, of the situation were not doubtful and the legislation allowed them to be given effect to. His Lordship would restore the His Lordship would restore the clear and reasonable judgment of Judge Leslie and allow the appeal.

LORD FRASER, also for allowing the appeal, thought that the effect of paragraph 3 was limited to preventing the personal representatives from obtaining an order

period. That was all that the graph expressly stated. In all respects their rights were the as those of a resident land Accordingly, where a tenance (as in the present case) a tricted " contract under sectitricted "contract under sectiof the Act, and where it came
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receive the comparatively lineffect expressly required by terms and the landfords si Lord Russell and Lord : delivered speeches concurrin allowing the appeal.

LORD ROSKILL. said that there was no doubt there was no express provision in the circumstances in quest renant should become a state tenant. The crucial question what effect must be given to graph 3. Must it be deduced its provisions, when read with other provisions, that the rewas to become a statutory to in those circumstances, or way in those circumstances, or warright conclusion that it acculimated temporary protection to the tenant, leaving the foresident landlord's personal resentatives free to obtain posse as soon as that limited tempo protection had determined?

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the provisions of sections 1 and The resident landlord was? from the bonds of the 1977 and his right to sell the whole his bouse with vacant posses was not to be jeopardized by fact that he, a resident landled let part of his house themant so long as the condition section 12(1) were satisfied, exception was, to his Lordslymind, a personal privilege tresident landlord, a privilege which could be lost if those cottons were not at any time c which could be lost it those co-tions were not at any time c-plied with. Those conditions, i alia, required the presence c-resident landlord. "at all time save only during any period disregard. But if at any time it was no resident landlord and it no relevant period of discono relevant period of disre; running, the relevant coudi; were not fulfilled and the privil accorded by section 12 was lost. accorded by section 12 was lost.

His Lordship found it imposs to accept that paragraph 3 simpleft the tenant as a trespasser prector from eviction but with other rights. Full effect could the given to paragraph 3 along lines suggested by Lord Jus Bridge [that during the period disregard the tenant had the at butes of a statutory tenant.

tual tenancy—a quasi-statuttenant). Solicitors: Misa Fav L. Berm Brighton; Mr John Crosthwalt

butes of a statutory tenant (would be subject to the rights obligations of the expired contr

Resolutions invalid -no right of action

Yeldiam in the Supreme Court of New South Wales of his action for damages 'against Woolahra Municipal Council in respect of two resolutions passed on June 10, 1974, under sections 308 and 309 of the Local Government Act, 1919, concerning property at 8 Wentworth Street, Point Piper, and which in a separate action by Dr Donlop had been declared invalid and void by Mr Justice Wootten in the Supreme Court on September 26, 1975.

Mr A. B. Shand, QC, Mr Brian

Wootten in the Supreme Court on September 26, 1975.

Mr A. B. Shand, QC, Mr Brian Rayment (both of the New South Wales Bar) and Mr Roger Toulson for Dr Dunlop; Mr Murray Wilcox, QC, and Mr P. D. McClellan (both of the New South Wales Bar) for the council.

LORD DIPLOCK said that Dr Dunlop had bought land on overdraft at 8 Wentworth Street in December, 1972, with a New to selling it for development together with two adjoining properties. Under the Woollahra Planning Scheme Ordinance (prescribed under the Local Government Act, 1913) the land was part of a zone in which buildings of residential flats of more than three storeys were permitted only with specific planning permission from the council.

In September, 1973, the council refused planning permission for two eight-storey bluck of flats on the land and its adjoining plota. On June 10, 1974, on the advice of its solicitor and its planning officer, it passed two resolutions purporting to exercise its powers

of its solicitor and its planning officer, it passed two resolutions purporting to exercise its powers as council for the area under sections 308 and 309 of the Local Government Act. 1919, fixing a building line for 8. Weatworth Street and its adjoining piots and imposing a height restriction of three storeys for any building development of the site.

Dr Dunlop employed an architect to examine whether a development within the limits set by the resolutions would be financially worthwhile having regard to the price he had paid. The architect advised that it would not. Their Lordships accepted that the effect of the resolutions, if valid, would

of the resolutions, it valid, would have been to impose restrictions on Dr Dunlop's land additional to those imposed by the Woollahra plausing scheme and that their existence would have reduced its models rather as land time for market value as land ripe for development. On September 26, 1975, on Dr

On Septemoer 2n. 1973, on Dr Dunlop's application to the Supreme Court. Mr Justice Woot-ten declared that the council's resolutions of June 10 were in-valid. He expressly rejected his allegation that the council had acted in bad faith in passing them. acted in bad faith in passing them.
After the time for any appeal by
the council from that judgment
had expired. Dr Dunlop made a
fresh application for planning permission in respect of 8 Wentworth
Street alone for a seven-storey
block of flats. That was granted
in December, 1976. He immediately
met the property on the market and put the property on the market and sold it in August, 1977. He then started an action against the coun-cil in the Supreme Court claimles damages in respect of the interest on his overdraft incurred by the purchase from the passing of the resolutions to the expiry of the resolutions to the expiry of the time for appealing Mr Justice Wootten's decision that they were jurally, rates and taxes on the property during that period, and the architect's fee for the development plans complying with the respictions imposed by the resolutions.

Dr Dunlop put his case in three ways. First, he had suffered loss

Dunilop v Wooliahra Municipal Chuncil

Before Lord Diphock, Lord Simon of Glaisdale, Lord Edmund-Davies, Lord Scarman and Lord Bridge of Harwich.

[Judgment delivered February 23]

A local authority's passing of invalid resolutions which restricted the height and building line of building development on land overlooking Sydney harbour, therby reducing its market value, gave rise to no right of action in the light committee of the section of the unlawful, intentional and positive acts of another was entitled to recover damages.

Their Lordships found difficulty in ascertaining the scope of that

Their Lordships found difficulty in ascertaining the scope of that Privy Council dismissed an appeal by the plaintiff, Dr Roger Dunlop, from the dismissal by Mr Justice Yeldham in the Supreme-Court Australian courts, nor had it been Australian courts, nor had it been fellowed in any other Commonfellowed in any other Common-wealth jurisdiction. In the Instant, case it was not necessary to embark on a general consideration of what kind of act could be considered unlawful within the Beaudesert principle. The invalid resolutions were the only acts relied on, and in their Lordships' riew acts which were null and void and therefore incapable of affecting legal rights could not for their reason alone be included in the expression "unlaw-ful" as used in defining the Beaudesert principle. Dr Dunlop failed on that head.

The second way Dr Dunlop put

The second way Dr Dunlop put his claim was in negligence. He alleged that the council owed him alleged that the council owed him a duty of care to ascertain whether the making of the resolutions was within its powers. He had submitted that the council's breach of that duty in respect of fixing the number of permissible storeys lay in its failure to seek proper detailed legal advice. Their Lordships were doubtful that the council had owed such a duty of care, but even if it had it was clear that on the facts in taking the advice of its solicitor the council had done all it might reasonably have been expected to do and there had been no breach of such a duty. That was so not withstanding that in the light of Mr Justice Wooten's decision the solicitor's advice had turned out

Mr Justice Wooten's decision the solicitor's advice had turned out to be wrong. The question of law had been evenly halanced, and to answer it either way at any time before judgment could not have amounted to negligence on the part of a solicitor whose advice had been sought.

As to the resolution fixing the building line, the judge had held that to be void on the ground that the council had failed to give Dr Donley notice of it: imention or provide him with the kind of hearing he was entitled to before passing it. Their Lordships were of opinion that notwithstanding that the resolution was void, failure of a public authority to give a person an adequate hearing before deciding to evercise a statutory power in a manner affection.

the primary object was the provision of a family home, then the proper exercise of the discretion against to the court by section 30 of the 1925 Act was not to make an order for sale. It would not be proper to make an immediate tutory power in a manner affect-ing him or his property could not in itself amount to a breach of a in itself amount to a breach of a duty of care sounding in damages. The effect of such failure was to render the exercise of the power void. A person complaining of the failure was in as good a position as the public authority to know that was so. He could ignore the purported exercise of the purported exercise of the the purported exercise of the power. Such exercise was incapable of affecting his legal rights. The claim in negligence failed.

The third head was the well-established tort of misfeasance by a public officer in the discharge of his public duties. It was right that the council which had been exercising local government functions was a public officer for the purpose of that tort. But it was clear, in the absence of malice, that the passing of a void resolution without knowledge of its invalidity was ant conduct capable of amounting to the "misfeasof amounting to the "misfeas-ance" which was a necessary ingredient of the tort. Dr Dunlop

again falled. Since their Lordships were in agreement with the trial judge that there had been no actionable wrong on the council's part it was not necessary to consider whether or not Dr Dunlop had suffered any recoverable damage as a result of the passage of the invalid resolutions. The appeal should be dismissed with costs. Solicitors: Reynolds, Parter, Chamberlain & Co; Young, Jones, Hair & Co.

Ousted mistress can claim occupation rent

Dennis v McDonald Before Mr Justice Purchas

[Judgment delivered February 19]

occupy the property.

Mr Iustice, Furchas refused an application by Miss Robina Dennis, of Burrow House, Lambeth, for an order that property in Strath-leven Road, Brixton, be sold. His Lordship, however, ordered the defendant, Mr Liebert McDonald, to pay an occupational rent to Miss Dennis, the amount to be assessed by the registrar.
Mr Andrew Walker for Miss Dennis; Mr Thomas Coningsby for

the defendant.
HIS LORDSHIP said that Miss
Dennis applied under section 30
of the Law of Property Act, 1925, of the Law of Property Act, 1925, for an order for the sale of the property which had been the family home of the parties, who had lived together from 1962 to 1974. Over the years five children had been born. The three eldest children now lived with the defendant in the former family home, while the two youngest lived with Miss Dennis in rented property. The parties had bought the house together, and it was held by them as terants in common in equal shares. Both had contributed in equal shares towards the purchase. The defendant had paid the morttage instalments, the last in

in equal shares towards the purchase. The defendant had paid the mortgage instalments, the last in March, 1980. The property, which was worth £19,000, was now unemcumbered.

Apart from the provisions of the Domestic Violence and Matrimonial Proceedings Act, 1976, the law gave no rights to a mistress against her lover except as the father of her children. She received no recognition by way of analogy with the Married Woman's Property Act, 1882, or the Matrimonial Causes Act, 1973. On the other hand, she lost no rights at law or in equiry because she was a mistress. In relation to the property she had to be treated in exactly the same way as any other tenant in common.

In re Evers' Trust ([1980] 1 WLR 13271 was clear authority for the proposition that where the circumstances in which the trust for sale originated envisaged that the primary oblect was the provision of a family home, then the

proper to make an immediate order for the sale of the house. The question before the court was whether Miss Dennis had a right to receive an occupation rent as a co-tenant excluded from the property.

In Janes v Janes (1977) 1 WLR
428) the Master of the Rolls said
that "as between tenants in
common, they are both equally

entitled to occupation and ore of course, if there was an ouster Robert Thompson & Partners

that would be another matter. The Chancery Division had aim been ready to inquire into it position between co-owners bein tenants in common either at it A mistress who was forced to leave the family home because of her lover's violence was entitled to receive an occupational rent from him by virtue of the fact that she was a co-owner who had been excluded and prevented from exercising her right to occupy the property.

Mr Justice, Purchas refused an application by Miss Robina Deanis, occupy but chose not to do voluntarily and were not excluded. tenant in common in occupat be entitled to do so free liability to pay an occupation o Miss Dennis was not a i agent. She had to leave the far home because of the defenda

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family home where an associa similar to a marrimonial association had broken down. What might be the true test "expulsion" or "ouster" Lordship was satisfied that Dennis had been expelled by conduct of the defendant the property and that he presented the property. the propert...
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The defendant had occupied approperty since 1974 in circums occupation rent. There was have to be an inquiry as to amount owing and the rent to paid in the future.

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There would be no inquiry and the paid in the future of the capital of the for the capital of the for the capital of the for the capital of the paid of th given either for the capital interest elements of Miss Den share of the mortgage paym which had been paid by defendant. During the early defendant. During the early in the major element in mortal repayment was interest on a devanced and half the sum pay the defendant would be brighten to an occupation. That was in line with the appraison to the defendant would be brighten before the parties. Since 1980 no question martiage repayment anse. martcage repayment aruse, in the defandant should pay half appropriate rent for such a perty. The rent should be "3 rent" assessed as though assessment had been made rent officer. In the inquiry defendant would be entitled

for ordinary muintenance repair.

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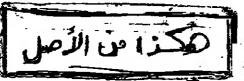
Disablement grant upheld

Regina v National Insurance
Commissioner, Ex parte Secretary of State for Social Services.
Mr Justice Forbes, in the Divisional Court, said that in physically disabled person to a day attendance allowance, under section 35(1) of the Social Security
Act, 1975, the Attendance Allowance Board had to decide whether such a person required frequent such a person required frequent such a person required frequent for the social security of the social Security and it was thus impression whether the claims able to cooking, too, required such a person required frequent for the social security of life that the social security and it was the ability. For instance, the control of the legislation was to find small aflowance to improve the social security of the legislation was to find the l such a person required frequent attention from another "in con-nexion with his bodily functions". That meant that one ought to look at all the circumstances surrounding the claimant's well-being affected by his disablement.

The meaning of "bodily function" was not to be confined to such simple functions of the body

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His Lordship dismissed at Secretary of State for 5 %





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Congratulations.

rises to 13 in Greece

From Mario Modiano Athens, Feb 25

The official death toll in the earthquakes that rocked southern and central Greece during the night rose to 13 today. It is likely to go higher as rescue teams search the debris of fallen buildings.

Five members of the staff of a vacant eight-floor seaside hotel - which collapsed at Vrahati, west of Corinth, are feared buried under the wreckage. Four other unoccupied hotels in the vicinity of Corinth also collapsed. The owner of one of them was rescued alive but injured from falling rubble.

The total number of injured rose to several hundreds, but only 57 people needed to so to hospital. About 3,000 buildings were damaged.

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A cluster of uninhabited islets in the Gulf of Corinth, known as the Halcyonids, was the epicentre of the shocks, according to the Athens observatory. The first tremor, which came at 8.54 pm GMT, measured 6.6 on the Richter Scale. It was followed by a second tremor at 2.30 am GMT measuring 6.3.

Worst hit was Perahora, a village north of Corinth. Three people were killed there, and more than 150 of its quaint, old houses became uninhabitable. The Army has pitched tents to shelter the homeless. Perahora, once the base of a British archaelogical expedition in the early 1930s, was visited today by Mr George Rallis, the Prime Minister, who toured the stricken area by helicopter.

From Richard Wigg Madrid, Feb 25

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falling on him inevitably ment. heightens the unease felt about The the arrempted plot against resume

Spanish democracy.
According to some versions,

General Armada was useful

above all to the plotters because

of his reputation as a "king's man". But it was General Armsda who with General

Aramburu, the director-general

of the civil guard, who nego-

tiated the surrender of the leaders of the putsch yesterday at the rebels request, again

according to some versions. Senor Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo

tonight received, under the overwhelming impact of Mon-day's assault on Parliament an

endorsement as Spain's Prime Minister by 186 votes to 158, or

10 more than an absolute

majority. The Catalan regional-

ists, the entire right-wing Democratic Coalition and three

army general Spain's caretaker

Government has moved against. After a meeting taken earlier

by Senor Adolfo Suares, the out-

going Prime Minister, the arrest

Water cannon

atom protesters

From Our Own Correspondent Bonn, Feb 25

Police used water cannon to

disperse protesters at the con-

troversial Brokdorf nuclear

power station site near Ham-

burg today in a foretaste of clashes expected at the week-

Fears of violence are mount-

ing as anti-nuclear protesters all over the country prepare to

defy a ban on a huge demon-

A local court banned the

protest after receiving evidence

that extremist groups were planning to use what was

intended to be a peaceful rally

by some 50,000 people as an

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was officially announced at mid-

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with the King is dismissed

General Alfonso Armada
Comyn has been relieved of his
post as Deputy Chief of the
Spanish Army's General Staff,
high ranking military sources
confirmed bere today to EFE,
the staff of the Valencia military
region. He had been flown on
for an interview with Lieutenant-General José Gabeiras.
Chief of the Army General
Staff.
Valencia was the only military



The rubble of the Apollo Hotel at Loutraki, west of Athens, which was ripped apart by the earthquake.

there was some damage in the museums of Athens and at the Acropolis, where a number of ancient vases fell off their stands and broke.

Professor George Dontas, the director of the Acropolis, said that for the first time sloce the earthquake of 1896, pieces The antiquities stored in the of marble became detached moved museums of Perahora and from the columns of the Par- tremors.

Top Spanish general who Cool head

night of Lieutenant-General Jaime Milans del Bosch, captain-general of the Valencia military region. He had been flown on

Corinth remained intact; but thenon last night. The area there was some damage in the was cordoned off for the safety of visitors.

He said there were signs of slight displacements in two column drums of the western colonnade and the ceiling of the Parthenon, but there was not immediate danger. Some architectural members of the Erechtheion temple had also moved slightly during the

Athenians today seemed paralysed by the fear of new earthquakes. After last night's panic, which drove frightened people to public parks, squares and bills in their nightclothes, most people failed to turn up for work. Banks were understaffed and many shops remained closed. Damage to buildings in Athens was slight.

The observatory tried to dispel persistent rumours that tween 4.5 and 6.3

another stronger earthquake was imminent by stating that geological statistics for the Athens region indicated that But the observatory also said that until midday today the

such an earthquake would be extremely improbable. seismographs had recorded 465 after-tremors of more than 3 points on the Richter Scale, eight of them measuring be-

World View .

by Arrigo Levi

Bonn awaits a final test of US policy

what do Government leaders in Bonn expect from the new people in Washington? One of Herr Schmidt, the

Chancellor's most trusted advisers says: "On the whole, we have an impression that European-American cooperation will improve, as compared with the Carter period, both in atmosphere, substance and continuity. It will not be easier but more reliable. The new Administration seems to be cal-culable, which was not the case

with Carter." When Herr Schmidt came back from his first meeting with Mr Reagan (already elected but not yet at the White elected; but not vet at the White House) he told his colleagues in Bonn that "they had to forget everything that had been said during the campaign". He felt that Mr Reagan had a good talent for selecting qualified individuals for top positions, and that he was ready to continue the strategic arms limitation (Salt) process.

In this on the whole positive assessment the presence of Mr Haig at the State Department plays a very important role. Mr

the UCD, which triumphed in Spain's first democratic elections after Franco in June, 1977. Elected for a Madrid constituency, he became leader of the UCD in the Cortés.

Before he took over as Señor Suarez's chief economics minister in September last year after the failure of the economic plans of Señor Fernando Abril Martorell. Señor Calvo Sotelo was for more than two years Spain's Minister for Relations with the European Community plays a very important role. Mr
Haig is seen as a "Europe
first" man, and his experience
of European affairs is felt to be
unequalled. "There has never before been an American Secre-tary of State (another of Herr Schmidt's advisers tells me) with such profound exposure to European problems of German Social Democrats and of Italian

arrested

Bonn

At the moment when the crisis of detente and the world rivalries at the top in Washingshaken many of the certainties which have made West Germany one of the most stable and successful of industrial democratics, the problem of relations with President Reagan's "new America" occupies a large space in the thoughts of West German leaders.

But the Germans feel that there are still conflicts and rivalries at the top in Washingson. They think that "the new Administration has not yet reached the point of finally articularing and defining its foreign policy or its work methods". So, they say: "We are still waiting for a final test". This might come with the spoten of restarting negotiations with the Soviet Union on arms-control, a key demand of

space in the thoughts of West German leaders.

This is a country which in spite of its great successes, still feels uncomfortably "provisional", still divided and with out a peace treaty, with the sas the most positive signal yet Soviet Army on its borders and from the new Administration, its historical capital still separate from the body of real Germany".

So the special link with America remains, more than ever, the ultimate guarantee of the existence of the Federal sudde our adversaries to come the special and verification and belanced and verification. to realistic, balanced and verififrustrations of the Carter years, able agreements. But, as we negotiate, our security must be fully protected by a balanced and realistic defence programme.

So, the Germans say, "our expectation is that arms control negotiations will be started again, both on Salt and on the Euromissiles and they hope that detente, in its substance, will continue in Europe through these negotiations.

President Brezhnev's speech at the Soviet Communist Party Congress has strengthened these

The Germans have found Mr The Germans have found Mr Frank Carlucci, the Deputy Secretary of State, forceful in Munich, but considerate and sensitive to German problems in private conversations. They believe that there will be diffi-culties with Washington on the level of armaments expendi-ture, but that they will be solved.

On Europe's responsibilities outside the Naro area, the Germans will show themselves ready to "fill the void" pos-sibly to be left by the Americans in Europe. They will offer the necessary transit bases to an American rapid deployment force in the Middle East, and they seem ready to increase their naval responsibilities in the Atlantic (some upper limits to German paval armaments put by the WEU treaty being now finally lifted).

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democracy

From Our Own Correspondent Madrid, Feb 25 Madrid, Feb 25
The priority for Señor Leopoldo Calvo Sotelo, who was confirmed as Spain's Prime Minister by the Cortes (Parliament) tonight, is to reestablish full respect for the authority of the civilian democratic government.

in crisis

of Madrid

confirmed here today to EFE, the state news agency. The move came after Monday's failed pursch.

The general aged 60 and one of the country's top 10 generals of the country's top 10 generals of emergency and took The new Prime minister is typical of the businessmen turned politician who emerged to prominence during the transition from a moribund Francoism to parliamentary demo-

Unidentified with the oppos-

ing factions, he was above all nominated by his party, as a

unifying force on the advice of Senor Adolfo Suarez, the

outgoing Prime Minister. He was always closely associated with Señor Suårez's approach and left. the first Suårez Government, where he was Public Works Minister, to organize the UCD, which triumphed in Social Services.

in active service, has been state of emergency and took known as a former close colover. General Milans had his laborator for many years of tanks on the streets within King Juan Carlos. Suspicion minutes of the seizure of Parlia-Cortés (Parliament) Deputy Prime Minister resume today, the chamber still pockmarked by the shots from automatic weapons and pistols fired by the civil guards under the command of Colonel charge of economic affairs, in the Suarez Government that resigned on January 29, Señor Calvo Sotelo, who is 54, comes from an influential Madrid

Antonio Tejero, to proceed to vote into office Señor Calvo family. He is a nephew of José Caivo Sotelo, the Spanish cratic Prime Minister. This election was under way on Monday when the civil guards erupted into the chamber.

Besides Colonel Tejero, who is now under arrest here awaiting interrogation by the parliamentary monarchists' leader during the Second Republic whose assassination, blamed on the left, helped precipitate the Nationalists' upris-ing in July. 1936, which opened the civil war. Señor Calvo Satelo's own political roots lie in that monarchist and subsequently Christian Democrat, camp.

ing interrogation by the Advocate-General's branch more than 15 other serving officers have been detained. Señor. Calvo Sotelo, who halled the king as the upholder

of Spain's democracy on Mon-day night, pledged after the failed putsch to work "to ensure that all organs of the Democratic Coalition and three state in future achieve the adependents voted for him. same degree of democratic General Armada is the second maturity with mechanisms rmy general Spain's caretaker which defend our libertles and security". Queen Elizabeth has sent a

personal message congratulating the king on his firm attitude that proved so decisive



Señor Calvo Sotelo, confirmed as Spain's Prime Minister, embraces Lieutenant-General Manuel Gutiérrez Mellado. ways.

Relations with the European Community. His chief qualities, those of an efficient administrator able to keep a cool head when faced by complex problems, were developed during a diversified career in the higher echelons of the private chemicals and synthetics industries and banking and the state rail-ways. France given deadline to

end farmers' subsidies

From Michael Hornsby Brussels, Feb 25

France has been given 15 days by the European Commission to show cause why it should not be taken to court if it continues illegally to subsi-dize the income of its farmers. The action has been taken sible when designed to improve under Articles 92 and 93 of the farming infrastructure, but not Treaty of Rome, which empowers the Commission to

EEC's fair trade rules. If France fails to come up

member states give large amounts of aid to their farmers in addition to what they spend jointly on agriculture in the EEC budget.

The rule of thumb observed

Brussels is that such national assistance is permis-sible when designed to improve when it takes the form of direct income supplements.

keep all state subsidies under The case is politically sensi-review and prohibit those tive because of the French judged incompatible with the presidential elections at the end of April, and it seems incon-ceivable that President Giscard with an acceptable explanation, the Commission must under the treaty order it to "abolish or alter" the offending aid measures within a specified ever, been under strong pressure from Mr Peter Walker.

period of time.

The case arises out of a the British Agricultue Minister, decision by the French Govern to take firm action against the ment last December to grant French as quickly as possible, more than 4,000m francs fabout. Mr Walker has drawn attention of assistance to its tion to what he regards as the farmers to offset loss of income. Commission's dilutoriness, in sentence for drug offences.
His one reported comment
so far on the charges he faces
was: "If they are roses, they
will bloom"
Mr. Copyola originally went
to the United States as a stowaway and was a close associate
of underworld figures. caused by rising production moving against France com-costs.

pared with the speed it showed it appears that the Commission is challenging the legality relatively minor British subsidy of about half that sum. All for pig farmers.

'Three Fingers' French miners spill imported on drug charges coal over road

From Peter Nichols Rome, Peb 25 From Our Own Correspondent Rome, Peb 25

Eight arrests have been made since Rome police last night took into custody Mr Frank Coppola, known in the Italo-American gangster world as "Three Fingers" because he left two behind in a safe door when ilening from the malical Paris, Feb 25 It is a scandal for the French Government to close down pits and import foreign coal when it is sitting on reserves estimated at between 4,000m and 7,000m tons and when the price of oil weighs when fleeing from the police. Mr Coppola, aged 82, was arrested last night on charges heavily on the balance of payments, the miners say.

About 30 men from the Provof being involved in drug trafficking between Rome and nce coalfields occupied a

Liberian collier last evening in Palermo. Of the eight others arrested, four were in Rome and four in the Sicilian capital. the port of Fos, west of Mar-seilles, and stopped the unloading of its cargo of Australian coal earmarked for a power The reputed Mafia boss looked in good humour as he station in central France. was taken away from his home This was the fourth such between Rome and Anzio. He has lived there since his expulsion from the United States in 1948, except for short periods in Sicily and a brief prison

action by trate miners against imported coal, which is cheaper than the domestic product. Another squad, also at Fos, scattered 1,300 tons of Ameri-Can coal.
Twenty-six tons of Russian

coal were spilled on the high-way near Ales, in the Gard and a lorryload of British coal on its way to the lycée of Carcassonne met the same fate at the motorway toll gate of Saint Jean-de-Vedas.

OVERSEAS_____

Washington chooses El Salvador to make a stand against communism in Central America

By Dan van der Vat El Salvador, the tiniest state in Latin America, now finds itself in uncomfortable and unaccustomed proximity to the centre of world attention because the new American Administration has rapidly developed a passionate interest in the outcome of the savage civil war there.

The Americans say it is the target of a classic communist takeover attempt, supported actively by the Soviet Union and its allies, and coordinated by Cuba on their behalf. Washington says it will not let this happen and is keeping all its options open on action to

revent it.

Given the increased tension between the two superpowers and the manifest strategic insignificance of El Salvador, the scale and intensity of the American diplomatic effort to persuade its sceptical allies of

persuade its sceptical allies of the burning importance of the issue require explanation.

A recent revolution produced a radical leftist government in Nicaragua, now accused by Washington of acting as prin-cipal staging post for arms supplies to left-wing guerrillas in El Salvador, All this could mean that the Americans fear another demonstration of the another demonstration of the domino theory, as in Indo-China, but this time on their own doorstep.

Alternatively the real target

of the Reagan Administration muscle-flexing might be Cuba, muscle-flexing might be Cuba, that perennially irritating communist blemish in an otherwise American-dominated western hemisphere, which Washington has already threatened to blockade unless it stops aiding the Salvadorean guerrillass. The explanation for the American demarche could be altogether simpler and there are grounds for belief that it is.

Conquered for Spaia by Pedro de Alvarado in 1526, El Salvador gained independence in 1839 and soon fell into the classic mould of the banama republic (its principal crop is in fact coffee, which accounts for 50 per cent of its exports).

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Its history is marked by a long series of ineffectual coups which always managed to leave political and economic power with a handful of families while the rest of the reside growing.

the rest of the rapidly growing population remained in grinding poverty.

Even though 50 p recent of the population of El Salvaor is illiterate even today, the country was sufficiently educated and politicized by 1972 to embark upon a course of political polarization which is the direct origin of its present des-perate troubles.

In that year, Colonel Arturo

MPs deplore Reagan support for junta

A Commons motion signed by 80 Labour MPs only hours be-fore Mrs Thatcher left for the Universe Service of the Common Service of the the United States calls on her to dissociate herself from President Reagan's support for the military regime in El Salvador. It views "with horror the widespread suffering and loss of life experienced over recent months by the people of El Sal-

tion to the repressive military regime" of President Duarte. Thatcher backing: Britain has moved swiftly to back the American position on El Salvador. As Mrs Thatcher flew to Washington last night, it was officially announced in London that Britain condemns the Cuban intersection in the the Cuban intervention in the internal affairs of El Salvador which is described as com-pletely unacceptable (Our Diplomatic Correspondent writes)

The statement issued by the Foreign Office said the Government had come to the conclusion that these activities clearly amounted to unacceptable interference in the internal affairs of the country.

ciliation won a presidentical election amid allegations of ballot-rigging. Despite an abortive coup in March, he was sworn in on July L The man he defeated is Senor Jose Napo-leon Duarte, who had opposed him on behalf of the National Opposition Union, a moderate coalition. Guerrilla activity

began shortly. In 1977 General Carlos Humberto Robers became president amid rather louder accusations of electoral fraud. Guerrilla activity increased, and in October 1979 he was deposed by a five-man junta of two colonels and three civilians.

Despite the junta's initial commitment to radical reform, including expropriations of land for the peasants and nationalization of the banks, the guerrilla campaign grew and so did violence from the right. Last year 10,000 people are

said to have died at the hands of the guerrillas, the anti-quated security forces, right-wing "death-squads" and groups of "hit-men" reportedly based in or near Miami, based in or near Mismi, Florida, and sought by the American authorities.

American authorities.

The reformist aspirations of the junta faded and it began to move to the right under pressure from the military, who have dominated politically in El Salvador for half a century. At the end of last year, Colonel Adolfo Majano, the leading liberal influence in the junta, was dismissed. He was arrested last week after refusing to accept a comfortable exile as military attaché in Spain.

The colonel's dismissal coincided with the reemergence of Señor Duarte, this time as president appointed by the nunta. Having fuiled to instiate liberal reforms through the bakot box in 1972, Señor Duarte, a Christ-

in 1972, Señor Duarte, a Christ-ian Democrat. is now regarded as a right-wing tool by the

guerrillas. He is a typical example of he is a typical example of how a moderate is overtaken on the left once demand for reform reaches a critical point only to be frustrated. His posi-tion also reflects how far and how fast events have moved in

El Salvador.
Under Cuban influence at least seven resistance proups ranging from progressive Christ-Democrats to communists have united in the past year to form the Democratic Revolutionary Franct (FRD) led by Señor Guillermo Ungo.

In parallel, the various geurille groups have come together

rilla groups have come together under the umbrella of the Fara-bundo Marti National Liberation Front (RMLN), with an estima-

Armando Molina of the conservative Party of National Conciliation won a presidential election amid allegations of runs an active propagat operation from several cent abroad, including Mexico C Madrid and Bonn.

Last November the FM began what it hoped would a final push for power, tin to anticipate the inaugurat of President Reagan ; boosted by large shipments mainly Western-made weap.

mainly Western-made weap, since said by the America to have been sent by Vietne Ethiopia, Cuba and sent Eastern European countries. This week the Americans p duced detailed documentat which, they claim, proves or manical involvement in contract of the countries. munist involvement in suppr ing and arming the guerril through Cuba. The relev-papers are reported to hi been seized in El Salvador security forces during raids guerrilla bases and hideouts

These have been shown Mr Alexander Hair, the Sec tary of State, to Western all bassadors in Washington Mr Lawrence Eagleburger, of his senior assistants, he western European leaders, at by two State Department follow-up teams, one for non-ern and one for souther Europe, all in the past for the sent follow-up teams.

days, accompanied by detail press briefings.

President Reason is perseally briefing Mrs Margar Thatcher and the French a West German foreign minister this reaches. this week.
At the same time, the Sor

Union and its allies are bei warned off involvement in Salvador: Cuba and Nicarae Salvador: Cuba and Nicarag are being pressed to ston heling the guerrillas; and Lat American governments elimeter are being wooed; Washington (with mixed stress: Mexico has public rebuffed Washington by praing Cuba after being shown the Salvadorean dossier).

This an immense diplomat effort which ought to ha greater goals than persuadir. America's allies to sympathic and to ensure that Europe Community aid to £1 Salvad does not reach the guerrillas.

The true explanation may 1 in the answer I received to in the answer I received to ouestion I put to Mr Herma Cohen, a deputy assistant Secre tary of State, when he was i London this week to bric British officials on El Salvados It was suggested that the new Administration had cast its ey round the world to find a sun able place where it could mak

an early and firm stand agains communism and had lit upon ! Salvador. Would Mr Coben care

W German offer to mediate between warring sides

East-West conflict in Latin America, today declared its intention to mediate between the two warring sides in El Salvador.

A government statement said that West Germany would "do-everything in its power" to bring the two sides together for talks.

The motion goes on to deplore the moral and military support now being given by the new United States Administrato Bonn by representatives of the El Salvador junta and the

the El Salvador junts and the opposition Frente Democratico Revolucionario (FDR).

President José Napoleon Duarte of El Salvadore has been invited by the Christian Democratic Party to visit Bonn after a Christian Democrat world conference in Brussels next

week.
Herr Kurr Becker, the
the Foreign Minister, has said
that he would like to have
talks with the President but it is not yet certain whether Senor Duarre will be able to come to Europe at all. The Social Democrats, for their part, are trying to arrange talks with Senor Guillermo Ungo, the leader of the FDR with whom they have good relations. But it is even le

clearly designed to lend su port to the United State which is deeply concerned communist aid to the inst gents. Bonn also firmly believ that East-West rivalry shou be kept out of the Thi World.

The Government believes that? its good standing in the Thi World, because of German economic might and its lack big-power status, enables it play the honest broker.

"Herr Kurt Becker, government spokesman status deverything to avoid an Belling west conflict" in El Salvad extra conflict in El Salvad extra confli ing American as well as to

munist.
Herr Becker said that Herr Becker said that Herr Becker said that Herr Becker said that Herr Becker had informed Lawrence Eagleburger, Frident Reagan's special envoy West Germany's intentity when he visited Bonn last we West Germany would keep United States informed above took. The Government statem expressed "understanding" the American concern.

Europe urged to consider using force to help protect western oil supplies

arca, especially in the Gulf. In return, the United States must treat Europe more as an equal partner in consultations.

problems. First, East-West relations are deteriorating at a time when the Soviet military threat is growing both in Europe and in the Third World. Second, the vital lifelines of the industrial West to oil and

By Richard Davy

A new transatlantic bargain is proposed in the first joint report to be produced by the heads of the principal foreign to be added to the principal foreign to the principal foreig A new transatlantic bargain is proposed in the first joint report to be produced by the heads of the principal foreign affairs institutes of Britain, France, West Germany and the France, West Germany and the Illnited States.

Europe, it says, must share Coming to recommendations, with the United States the burden of protecting the interests on East-West relations, calling of the alliance outside the Nato for an improved defence effort for an improved defence effort by the West while continuing efforts to maintain a dialogue with the Soviet Union, particupartner in consultations.

"A new alliance relationship has to be built ... based on more equal participation on both sides. In short, Nato must for the first time become a real alliance, not just one characterized by United States dominance and European passivity," the report, which is published today, says.

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Setting out the "formidable delicate question of using force and often unprecedented" in the Third World, and especiand often unprecedented" in the Third World, and especi-challenges facing the alliance, ally in the Gulf area. It envis-the report identifies three main ages four possible threats to ages four possible threats to Western oil supplies: Soviet military power, national and ethnic rivalries, revolution or internal disruption, and a new Arab-Israeli war.

follows: the industrial West to oil and raw materials are threatened by an increasingly volatile and unstable Third World in which the Soviet Union is fishing for opportunities.

Third, the period ahead will be one of "prolonged economic of the post to get into a direct of the industrial way of the post to get into a direct of the internationales: David Wart, and the content of the immense uncertainties in the mational Affairs. Available from the Royal Institute of the mational Affairs, and the post to get into a direct of the content of the content

other superpower.

A Western force might is prove invaluable in the fof other threats than that Soviet military intervention. Even marginal assistance fr Europeans would be symbolarly important in maintain alliance cohesion . From European point of view it is necessary to ensure, by dir involvement, that the arran ments should be based shared responsibility and tr collective decision-making These considerations point active European military pa cipation on the ground and sea in the Middle East".
Acknowledging practical political difficulties, the ref emphasizes that the West # not rely only on military me to maintain stability but " also use economic and techn assistance, political support, mutually acceptable arrangements with the oilany in the Gult area. It envisages four possible threats to Western oil supplies: Soviet military power, national and ethnic rivalries, revolution or internal disruption, and a new Arab-Israeli war.

It comments, in part, as follows:

It is clear that, given the minense uncertainties in the egion, there is a need for ome Western forces.

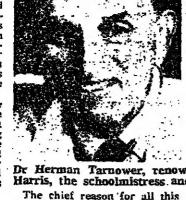
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n Michael Leapman
York, Feb 25

Mile Jean Harris trial, which
westerday when Mrs
is was convicted of nurpart of the property elevision news time, than in recent American mem-pay after day, ever blacker lines would scream from pages of New York's solidids, documenting the tabloids, documenting the pen the serious papers, The York Times and the hington Post, ran frequent page stories and long less from the evidence The Post was interested the the daughters of many

ington socialites attend tadeira school, where Mrs is was headmistress. ere was scarcely a dinner where the case was not seed in lip-smacking I. Even at the United ns, diplomats caucusing in lelegates' lounge were as to be talking about it as the global regotiztions a new world economic



Dr Herman Tarnower, renowned dieticias, and Mrs Jean Harris, the schoolmistress and former lover who shot him

attention was the soap opera quality of the case. The soap operas are chronicles of pas-sion and deceit played out on television every weekday after-noon. Many are set in hospitals and depict doctors' lusts. Here was life imitating . . .

surely not art, but at least show business. Here was a real

The chief reason for all this person, a prim schoolmistress, trention was the soap opera sulity of the case. The soap that lay behind the respectable peras are chronicles of passion and deceit played out on affair with Dr Tarnower, the diet doctor with mesmeric

> Mrs Harris, who is 57, spent seven days on the witness grown very rich . . all I ever stand. Sometimes she broke asked for was to be with you down and wept, and on one and when I left you, I did not

Mostly, though, she kept the poise and the clarity of an accomplished schoolmistress as abe: explained het role as the spurned lover, the faithful courtesan displaced by Mrs. Lympe Tryforos, the younger woman she savaged in these words: "A whore is a whore is a whore."

Her bitterness against Dr Tarnower was most extrava-gantly expressed in the so-called "Scarsdale letter" which she wrote and posted to him just before making the fatal journey. Written on 10 sheets of the school's headed note-

paper, it was a sustained essay in vitaperation against the doctor and the wrong which; according to her perception, he had done her. It was apparently sparked by his decision to take Mrs Tryforos and not her to a testimonial dinner in his honour the following month.

"I have indeed grown poor-loving you", she wrote, "while a self-serving ignorant slut has

She disclosed in the letter that she had telephoned Mrs. Tryforos every night for a month. She claimed that the younger woman had despoiled clothes which she, Mrs Harris, had left in Dr Tarnower's house, by smearing them with facces. In return, she had "ripped up or destroyed anything I saw that your slut had touched".

The constant use of "slut".

"whore" and like insults sug-gest a snobbish element to Mrs. Harris's objection to Mrs. Tryforos. In another letter to the doctor, quoted at the trial, she asked him to consider how the high-society women whose opinions he valued would react if they knew he was consorting with his personal assistant. Mrs Harris seems to have been a compulsive writer to her lover. One Christmas she sent him a poem, a skit on "Twas the night before Christmas", purporting to list the names of women he had slept

Dr Tarnower's pationwide fame rests on his book, The Complete Scarsdale Medical

Diet, which has sold 750,000 copies in hard covers and more than two million in paperback. It is a diet plan for the upper crust, relying on the intake of far-free protein from expensive lean meat.

Millions of pounds of pampered human flesh have heen shed by its followers. Chic restaurants boast of serving meals which accord with Dr Tarnower's precepts.

On the cover of the paper-back, his lean, urgent face looks out beneath the nearly bald head of a rising sep-tragenarian. He appears virile, for sure, but hardly the kind of man you would expect to be holding two women—at least in his thrall.

Scarsdale is a wealthy suburb in Westchester County, a half-hour drive north of New York. hour drive north of New York. It is where Dr Tarnower had his home, his clinic and his lovers—and where, on the night of March 10 last year, after a tempestuous drive from Virginia, Mrs Harris shot him. The trial took place at the modern courthouse of White

modern courthouse of White Plains, the county seat. Every day suburbanites queued occupy the public sears

Many Zia opponents detained after unrest

From Hasan Akhtar
Islamabad, Feb 25
About 100 political activists
are reported to have been arrested in Lahore and other
parts of Pakistan in a big crackdown on opponents of the Government during the past 24
hours. Little information has
been officially released about
the latest arrests or about those
which have taken place in the
past fortnight.
Unofficial reports stated that

Unofficial reports stated that onomicial reports stated that among those arrested in Lahore, the Punjab capital, were several leaders of the Pakistan People's Party, which was founded by Mr Zulfikar Ali Bhutto, the late Prime Minister, the Tehrikiparty Istiglal, and socialist groups. groups.

(Reuter reports that members of the Pakistan Muslim League were also detained in what has been described as the country's biggest police swoop after two weeks of student protest de-manding an end to martial law.]

Prominent among those detained today were the two sons of Mr Mahmud Ali Kasuri, the Tehrik leader, who was arrested about 10 days ago.

Aitezaz Ahasan, a former Punjab minister; Mr C. R. Aslam, a socialist leader; Qasim Malik, a Muslim League member; Mr Farooq Laghari and Mr Malik Said Hasan, of the People's Party, were also said to have been arrested.

Several senior politicians were

Several senior politicians were rounded up and detained by the Government about two weeks ago after a declaration by nine political party leaders, including Begum Nusrat Bhutto, Mr Bhutto's widow, demanding restoration of democracy and end

Today. the newly-elected leadership of the Lahore Bar "Association accused the regime of letting loose "ruthless tyrauny" and demanded that all those arrested should be released and that political repression cease.

The association also decided to pheroe a openior strike on

March Z.

An unofficial report from Karachi stated there had also been trouble in the Sind capital, which has remained relatively calm in the past few days.

Student violence in other cities and towns of the Punjab and the North-West frontier province, has caused the closure of universities and colleges.

The most violent of these

The most violent of these incidents took place last weekend in Peshawar, when the Government accused students of using stolen rifles against the police.

Begum Nusrat Bhutto, chairman of the now defunct People's Party, was said to have been prevented from flying to Peshawar to meet the students. President Zia ul-Haq, said today that there were foreign and internal elements behind the student agitation.

The President's confidence that the student trouble and political opposition poses no serious threat to his regime is perhaps reflected by his announcement today that he would leave tomorrow for Saudi Arabia to join the Islamic mission which will visit Tehran and Bagbdad in yet another attempt to halt

close incomes gap tween whites and blacks

released a policy state-about a new economic by which it hopes to form the nation through cial growth and bring

l equity,
Bernard Chidzero, the ster of Economic Planning Development, told a press reace that wide disparibetween the incomes of s and whites posed a grave t to the country. "We t to the country. "We to take measures to close gan or the society cannot

e Government's main ob-e was to "establish an rarian and socialist society of democratic conditions.". e three-year national de-ment plan calls for a total ment of about 4.000m dollars (about om). Two weeks ago, Mr aro disclosed that the ament was hoping to about 1,200m dellars at amme to acquire land white owners and re-ibute it among blacks. e policy document provides meral framework and Mr zero declined to be drawn

setted by the producing comsystem would take, the ster said the Government ld seek to take part in egic industries, the degree such involvement to be by murual agreement

Stephen Taylor

one of the priorities and it hopes to fund out of foreign capital, the document says:

Land is a common heritage and no one should enjoy abso-

lute ownership of it." Enlarging on this point Mr Children repeated that the Government was not against the freehold system but against absence landlords and aimed at the acquisition of abandoned or neglected land. Such land would be used for communal family and state farms, accord-

on manpower, the document on manpower, the document save that the emphasis in training should be placed on those "with a low emigration risk". Whites will see this as being simed against them. Mr Chidzero said that it was wasteful to train people who left the country "at the bint of political trouble".

Overall, however, observers see the document as a retreat economically from the socialist policies publicly proclaimed by the Government. In spite of the d donors' conference here month to fund some its of the plan, such as the amme to acquire land white owners and resions that the policy heralded overt state interference in

In an economy dominated by the private sector, he said, the Government wanted to see

cross-fertilization between the private and public sector.

He said that the economy, especially mining, "is under considerable foreign ownership and control. A large degree of local participation, private and public is essential."

He added: "ne concept is growth but that is not the answer in itself—we want a more equitable distribution of wealth."

Details of application of the policy and the amounts allocated, will become known in July when the plan is launched.

imbabwe presents its plan Iran turns back British missionaries at airport gate

From Tony Allaway. Tebran, Feb 25

at Tehran airport, as they pre-pared to board a flight for will be able to leave Tehran Paris, diplomats were still ask-ing themselves what went scheduled flight to Dubai.

Tebran, Feb 25

A mysterious last-minute telephone call today prevented three British missionaries from leaving Iran after six months were still wondering will be able to leave Tehran tomorrow scheduled flight to Dubal.

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A spokesman for the Swedish Embassy, which handles British interests in Iran, said the three matic source said. We are just would spend the night "as the guests of the Iranian Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The ministry of Foreign Affairs. The ministry of Foreign Affairs. The ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Diplomatic mission: British diplomats in Tehran are seeking permission to see Mr Andrew Pyke, the British businessman who is still held in Evin prison (Our Diplomatic Correspondent writes).

The only consular visit allowed during Mr Pyke's six months in captivity took place on February 7 through the good offices of the Swedish Embassy.

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Ir Reagan seeks Thatcher iews on tight budgets



Irs Thatcher leaving the Savoy Hotel, London, last night, to itch a flight from Heathrow airport for Washington.

ontinued from page 1 overnment to tread carefully the EEC's plans to involve Palestinians more directly any follow-up to the Camp

Mr Alexander Haig, the cretary of State, has made it ear thur Washington is not een to press ahead urgently ith the next stage of the amp David peace process—the sumption of the Palestinian renomy negotiations—until tonomy negotiations—until ter the Israeli general election mid-summer. However, to tollify the Israelis who are nxious that the negotiations nould resume as soon as pos-ible, Mr Haig has let it be nown that he is planning a isir to the Middle East in the

On Africa, Mrs Thatcher will vant to impress upon Mr leagan the importance which iritain and the other Europeans utach to a successful conclusion of the negotiations with South Africa on the independent South Africa on the indepen-dence of south-west Africa (Mamibia).

Government Washington's much relationship with black African countries as one of the most important achiements of the Administration of former President Carter and it does not want this new-found friendliness to be dispelled and replaced by a one-sided, prowhite South African slant.

On the economic front,

President Reagan and his advisers will want to hear at first hand from Mrs Thatcher how her Covernment is faring in its efforts to revamp the British economy along similar lines to the budget and tax-cutting initiative launched here last week.

Not all the abundant publi-Not all the anunual publicity which the news media have given to Mrs Thatcher's economic experiments in advance of her visit has been favourable. Nevertheless, as one American official puts it, the interior official puts it, the jury is still out on Thatcher-

Brezhnev initiative: At their meeting yesterday, the Labour Party executive welcomed "the conciliatory statement" made by President Brezhnev at the latest congress of the Soviet Communist Party and in particular the proposals for advance notification of trop movements and other "confidence-building

From Peter Hazelhurst

The Pope made one of his most dramatic and moving appeals for world peace and disarmament today near the spot where an atomic bomb exploded over the Japanese city of Hiroshima in August, 1945, to claim the lives of more than 140,000 people in a short blinding and cataclysmic flash.

Park, about 150 yards from the epicentre of the explosion, the Pope declared that Hiroshima and Nagasaki, the other city bombed, should become international symbols of peace because they stood out as the first victims of nuclear war.

Speaking in nine languages, including Japanese, English, Chinese and Russian, the Pope said: "On this very spot where, 35 years ago, the life of so many people was snuffed out in one fiery moment, I wish to appeal to the whole world on behalf of life, on behalf of humanity, on behalf of the

"To the heads of state and of government, to those who hold political and economic power, I say Let us pledge our-selves to peace through justice, let us take a solemn decision now that war will never be tolerated or sought as a means of resolving differences."

of resolving differences."

But even as the Pope was making his appeal in Hiroshima, Mr Joji Omura, the directorgeneral of the Japanese Defence Agency told a parliamentary tommittee on security in Tokyo that Japan should build up the strength of its armed forces because of a growing Soviet naval presence in Asia and the invasion of Afghanistan.

At about the same time. Mr

At about the same time, Mr Masayoshi Ito, the Foreign Minister, said that the Government intended gradually to build up the armed forces, but that Japan would never again

of a cenotaph in the peace park in memory of the 200,000 victims of a device nicknamed "Little Boy "-the first atomic bomb to be used in warfare.

More 'than 140,000 were killed in the initial blast over Hiroshima on the morning of August 6, 1945, and it is esti-mated that another 60,000 victims died from the after-Addressing the big powers at affects of radiation over the the Hiroshima Peace Memorial past three decades. The lives of Park, about 150 yards from the another 110,000 victims were epicentire of the explosion, the second atomic bomb.

Hiroshima has been rebuilt into a modern, gleaming city and as the Pope appealed to the world for peace today, he could see the only remaining scar of war - the unrepaired skeleton of a destroyed dome which has been left standing as a memorial at the epicentre of the blast. Speaking to a crowd of 25,000 Japanese Christians and

25,000 Japanese Christians and residents of Hiroshima, the Pope said: "It is with deep emotion that I have come here today as a pilgrim of peace I wanted to make this visit to Hiroshima Peace Memorial out of a deep personal conviction that to remember the past is to commit oneself to the future. To remember Hiroshima is to abhor nuclear war. To re-member Hiroshima is to com-mit oneself to peace."

He said that since the atomic bombs were dropped, nuclear stockpiles had grown in quantity

and destructive power.

Even if a mere fraction of the available weapons were to be used, one has to ask whether ne used, one has to ask whether the inevitable escalation can be imagined and whether the very destruction of humanity is not a real possibility."

Many Japanese priests and the relatives of victims of the atomic bomb broke into teers as the Pope, wearing a white cassock and cap, stood on the spot of the explosion and ended his appeal with a prayer: "On Cod bear my spice and grant be a military power.

Earlier today light snow began unto the world everlasting to fall over Hiroshima as the peace.



With birds flying around him, the Pope sits waiting to address his audience in Hiroshima yesterday.

Policemen earning £3 a week confront drug barons

Bombs may be used to destroy this year's big opium harvest

over in the mountainous border regions of Thailand, Burma and Laos, The 1981 opium crop in the so-called Golden Triangle is the best for years and may amount to about 620 tons, according to Thai and Western narcotics officers.
After being refined into heroin and diluted it will be worth about £12,000m when sold

to addicts around the world. Ideal growing conditions this season and a scarcity of heroid. season and a scarcity of heroin.
because of drought in recent
years are responsible for the
big crop which is three or four
times larger than last year.
Burma is expected to produce
about 500 tons, Thailand 50 tons
and Laos up to 70 tons.

Loatian government officials
say farmers must hand over all
their orium to the Covernment

their opium to the Government in exchange for salt and other

That police regularly intercept Laorian opium entering Thailand and last year seized nearly Burmese Communist Party, deprived of most of its

former support from Chius, now uses opium as a source of money for guns and other supplies, and intelligence analysts believe that Thai communist insurgents are now trading in upium for the same reason.

Since it became clear a big crop was on the way. That and Burmese police have been warn-

From Neil Kelly
Bangkok, Feb 25
Harvesting of the world's most expensive crop is almost on both sides of the border.

That officials say they need at least 3,000 more men for effective suppression in growing areas, some of which can easily be reached only by helicopter.

Nevertheless, That border police and soldiers are preparing to strike more heavily than ever hefore against the mule ever before against the mule trains moving through the rug-ged border mountains with

Colonel Kosol Limpichart, deputy secretary-general of the Thai narcotics control board,

That narcotics control board, said that more than 12 heroin laboratories along the That-Burmese border had already resumed production after being out of use for years.

The colonel indicated that if necessary they would be destroyed with bombs dropped from aircraft. With police handling more than 20,000 drugs cases a year and with more than half a million addicts. Thailand is now dealing with Thailand is now dealing with drugs more rigorously than in

the past:

The huge riches to be made from opium and heroin trading —it has been called the most — "and heroin trading business known to profitable business known to man-defy most law enforce-ment efforts. Many of the government men confronting the big traders who possess the authority of fuedal warlords are

The warlords' intelligence The warlords intelligence network is extensive enough to give them ample warning of raids and as a result government forces usually find deserted villages, dismantled laboratories and not an ounce of opium and heroin in sight.

The growers themselves often take a tough line with the government men and sometimes threaten to call up "insurgents" for help if officials interfere with the opium trade. In these circumstances the

hard and instead use education and persuasion to wean them away from opium.

Some foreign observers winnessing flourishing poppy fields are critical of this soft approach; but United Nations officials on the spot say indiscriminate destruction of poppy fields would produce either a rebellion or a situation requiring an international relief operation for deprived farmers. operation for deprived farmers.
The United Nations is working closely with King Bhumibol of Thailand on a crop replacement programme initiated by the king 12 years ago.

Growers have found they can make much more from coffee than opium. They are also doing well with kidney beans, salad vegetables, cereals, stone fruits and apples. However, the operation is so far little more than a pilot scheme as it covers only 56 villages. More than 250

villages continue to live off the

Quito, Feb 25.—Ecuador and Peru have agreed to establish a demilitarized zone on their border, former President Galo Plaza of Ecuador said here last night.

Ecuador and

Peru agree on

peace zone

Troops frob oth countries would withdraw nine miles on either side of the border in the Condor mountain range where fresh clashes occurred over the weekend, despite the ceasefire of February 2, he said in a tele-vision interview.

Senor Plaza, a former secre-tary-general of the Organization of American States (OAS) with strong personal ties with the presidents of both countries, said that both army commands would hold talks in the demilitarized zone on the long-standing border dispute. The proposal for a demilitari-

zed zone was apparently made at a meeting in Brasitia on Monday by the United States, Brazil, Chile and Argentina, which jointly guaranteed a treaty ending a border war between Peru and Ecuador 40 years ago.

Peru and Ecuador were in-volved in five days of fight-ing along an ill-defined part of their border in late January before agreeing to a ceasefire sponsored by the four guarantor countries.

Señor Plaza said the first meeting of the two army com-mands ould be held in Huaquillas, on the border, some 400 miles south of Quito. He did not give a date.

Earlier yesterday the Brazilian military attaché in Quito, who flew over the disputed area, was quoted as saying that complete calm now prevailed -Reuter.

of Hongkong fishing boats

Hongkong, Feb 25

The United States Consulate-General in Hongkong is investigating the bomb attack on three Hongkong fishing junks anchored in international waters about 200 miles west of Manila.

It is now accepted that the two jet bombers which dropped six bombs in three low-dive attacks on the junks, hitting one junk with one bomb which did not explode, belonged to either the Philippine Air Force or the United States air garcrison based in the Philippines.

Evidently the attack was a Fishermen's Society said.

under escort by the other junks, and have apparently decided to

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bombing exercise and the There were only three local anchored junks were mistaken fishermen and three Filipino for fixed targets. Hongkong fishermen, who were seeking Government authorities are still water supplies on board the

US investigates bombing

for fixed targets. Hongkong fishermen, who were seeking Government authorities are still water supplies on board the inspecting the damaged junk, junk which was hit. None was which limped back to Hongkong injured.

election President Chun Doo Hwan, of

Chun victory

in S Korea

presidential

of the opposition Democratic Korea Party collected only 404

Although initially President foreign affairs. He has won the respect of

the Korean electorate by standing firm in the face of foreign. especially Japanese, criticism, by patching up relations with the United States, thereby ensuring continued American defence aid against the North Korean threat, and challenging Marshal Kim II Sung, the North Korean leader, to visit the republic,

Wildlife trade endangers species

if the present rate of habitat wildlife conference was told here today.

About half a million species

are in danger of extinction, Mr Rao Birendra Singh, India's Minister of Agriculture, said. "World trade in wildlife and its products is now a pheno-menon to reckon with, posing a major threat to the survival of species. It is wel-known that

big money is involved in this business."

Delhi, Feb 25 such a scale was without prece long as the ranks of non-Up to a fifth of the world's dent. "Most of the bavoc is members included unscrupuwild animals and plants will attributed to destruction or loss become extinct within 20 years of habitats, resulting from if the present rate of habitat clearing or deerading forests. destruction, posching and trading in animals is maintained, a over-exploitation for commercial interest."

Mr Birendra Singh was opening the third conference of

signatories of Cites, the 1973 convention on international trade in endangered species of wild life and flora and fauna. He said that 67 countries had signed the convention. But its effectiveness was bound to be

limited so long as non-members young and delicate birds die.

lous traders in wildlife. The conference is attempting to strengthen international

laws to control the trade in skins, ivory, oils, and in live animals and plants.

A report by the American-bsed Animal Welfare Institute,

published heer today, says that

South Korea, was elected to a seven-year term of office today, winning the final stage of the presidential election hands down over three rival candi-General Chun won 4,755 votes -over 90 per cent-in the elec-toral college while his nearest

runner-up, Mr Yoo Chi Song votes. In third place was Mr Kim Chong Chul of the pro-government Korea National Party with 85 votes.

Today's election was in fact little more than a formality and his rivals had admitted, even before the voting began, that they had no chance whatsoever of winning the election but were only participating to further the prestige of their parties.

Under the terms of the new constitution, promulgated after a referendum by President Chun last October, he needed only a simple majority of the electoral college votes to secure

the presidency.

Also under the constitution,
President Chun will serve only
a single seven-year term and he
has promised to ensure a peaceful transfer of power when his term of office expires.

President Chun moved to the forefront of the political scene last May during a period of confusion and instability. With the full power of the military behind him, he imposed nation-wide martial law and stamped out student riots, an anti-government uprising in the southern town of Kwangiu and all political dissent. As his strength and prestige increased, he became the obvious succes-sor to the mantle of power left vacant by the assassinated former president, Park Chung

Chun disclaimed any political ambitions, he resigned from the military to become president and quickly proved his ability to cope with both domestic and

needs four. If apparently standard ingredients are

at least seven and a half million wild birds from Latin America, Asia and Africa were traped every year.
Two fifths die after capture on the way to the ports and sirports fro mwhere they are sent abroad. Four fifths of the

Prudence Glynn

The boy on the road who made me stop and think

Approximately three and a half minutes after I had dropped our son at school I saw another boy who looked just like him. He too was tall and blond and dressed in blue and he had a brown bag for his books, but, while my last sight of our son had been of him gangling off exchanging bops with specially favoured friends my first of the other boy was very different.

He was lying on the busy road, his satchel a pillow under his head, his bicycle toppled on the pavement, his blue duffle spread over him. He was quite still, the quiet centre of a commotion of stopped cars, passing cars, more bikes, gesticulating helpers and incurious pedestrians.

I have no idea how badly he was hurt. I have no idea whether he had been knocked down by a car, or had fainted from lack of breakfast, or had been taken ill. All I do know is that a 8.33 am on a Monday something terrible had happened to a child, and that very easily the child could have been mine.

Mothers who work from other than he direct necessity are always vulnerable to the accusation that they either neglect or over-protect their children. Mothers who have never stopped working, save a minimal period, are vulnerable ten times over.

We used to think, we social pariahs, in the heady Sixties that at any minute we should be recognized for the saviours of womanhood that we areand were we not all just about to be sisters under the skin?—and therefore all women would back our efforts. Forget it.

Or rather, do not forget, but examine it in the light of your own personal experience, working or not, as I found myself examining my attitudes to my life when I saw that boy lying in the road. Far from being sisters of any sort road. Far from being sisters or any sort it seems that we have not only grown further apart, and less flexible and more predictable in our response to social changes, but that also we seem to have managed to involve the male sex in many of our own problems, and to have flounced out of the sink only the find that primaring is the top touch to find that swimming is too tough a

The fact is that I believe that it is still far too hard for a woman to work to her full capacity in productive or human terms, to fulfil berself, and at the same time to be a wife and mother. Of course in times of economic reces-sion the lealousy, which is never far below the surface, bubbles up in sheer fright that women may be taking jobs which should go to the historical breadwinner. Show me a woman who appears to have been given everything and I will show you a woman of whom too

much is expected.

to fail, publicly, obviously, to make a fearful fluff-up reading the television news, to stop worrying about whether they look the part or their hair is awry and realize that to fail brings them closer to their audience in the office or on the platform not further away, the dual role still expected of them will be for most just too taxing.

Ironically, women are far better at owning up to their mistakes than men, who have been shown through history to have crunched empires rather than admit they were wrong. But it is the family aspect of the

working mother that interests me today. Do we neglect? Ourselves, very possibly. It is the curse of many successful women to be gifted with fine health which they then systematically destroy because, since others take you at your own valuation, it never occurs to them that they can be ill, that they have the opportunity to be ill, and so everyone else assumes that they are made of cast iron too.

On the over-protective question, this I think is again very much a personal one. The conscientious working mother replaces herself at home with the best she can possibly afford, but this in itself is a great test of selflessness. If you are to commit the care of your children—and I am of course supposing that you love and need them just as they love and need you, and not that you are bored by or frightened of them—to the hands of somebody else, you run the risk of choking jealousy when the children are patently far happier and more equably managed by nanny than with your own "amusing" life style; best nannies deserve love in return too. Or you run the risk of making yourself superfluous.

I was most interested in reading The Art of Starvation by Sheila MacLeod* not so much for her descriptions of the origins of her anorexia nervosa (classic) as for her subsequent revival of the condition when she was a successful novelist and the wife of a pop star who could afford to "replace" herself only too adequately at home, and who was obviously regarded as de trop by the groupies who admired her husband.

I have to admit that I had never heard of either Sheila MacLeod or of her husband—perhaps I was too busy cooking the supper or going to Hongkong but I would argue that this brings me fresher to the subject. For to the "great world", the world which obviously counted to Ms MacLeod, she was a success whatever that means, while to herself she was a failure, first at managing the jump from girlhood to womanhood, and then at managing real womanhood in terms of adult relation-

Above all, it seems, in an adult reexpected. lationship with herself. This has nothwomen feel confident enough ing to do with lack of intelligence, by Routledge and Kegan Paul.

indeed it is the intelligent women drink too much or who ear too ! who prove the hardest to treat, pa because they are the cleverest at . cealing what they are up to and pa because being successful in a m. world means never admitting in pu that they have failed to be the maof themselves.

How much knowledge of your. should your children be expected share? Should I now tell my son ; he must never bicycle in Oxford, daughter that my heart stopped will saw her sail through the air over horse's head straight toward a spil tree stump, and that she must ne ride again?

My fears you see are physical them. I am perfectly able to cope we moral dilemmas, which are freely decussed, opinions exchanged and strogviews held. As far as possible, choi is offered but in certain cases a stro is offered but in certain cases a stro-line is taken, which is explained a may be refuted by them at a later as I must admit though that I get rather stuck with the "Who am I and Who Am I Doing Here?" bed time queried possibly because one so often wondelines these things oneself. Readers we surely have some answers.

What do you tell them about yo financial background? I think, for conplete security, the if we have it, we concertainly afford it, system. About jobs of must be equally frank in explaining the work brings different satisfactions to di ferent people, and that that satisfactic may have little or no relevance to it material benefits gained or the apparer sacrifices made.

Health is a much more difficult subje-Health is a much more difficult subjet because children, just as adults, react s differently to it. Ill health in others i usually a bore among adults, but for children it can be frightening, particularly as they are so observant. "What are thospills? Why didn't you want your lunch? On the positive side I am convioced that in parent-child relationships quality is fasuperior to quantity and that the right degree of frankness pitched at an understandable eive! is far better than papering over cracks which then burst into a chasti

over cracks which then burst into a chasu (one minute the Rolls, the next the bailiffs) I also think that children should be brought up to expect to inherit nothing except a securely founded knowledge of their own unique value and identity in life inculcated by love and understanding, so that when the world knocks them down; as, it will, they can pick themselves up by: their own bootstraps or their own twinset and pearls, coupled with the best, by which I mean the most appropriate, education that can possibly be managed.

To my sister workers I would urge try a little failureness. When Duty whispers low "Thou Must" the sensible women low "Thou Must

* The Art of Starvation, by Sheila Mac. Leod, published by Virago at £5.95 had back, £2.95 paperback. Readers might also be interested in Eating Disorders the classic by Hilda Bruch published in 1974.

An inexact science



Shona Crawford Poole

Underlined, italicised, or printed in bold capitals, the words more or less, but seldom exactly should be stamped on recipes

should be stamped on recipes as insistently as eigarette packet health warnings.

The point is easy enough to take when it concerns seasonings. How else would you add salt, except to taste? But how soft is a slack dough, how thick is a thin batter, or firm a meringue when it is stiff, but on no account dry? Experience meringue when it is stiff, but on no account dry? Experience tells you of course. And recipes try to. But when one brand of flour will mop up more or less liquid depending on the humidity of the place it has been stored, and other makes are ground more or less finely from harder or softer blends of wheat, it is not hard to see why my dough needs three tablespoons of water and yours

infuriatingly variable, cooking times are more clusive still. Your gentle simmer is unlikely to match mine ourside a laboratory, and my electric oven undoubtedly has tricks which differ from those of any gas cooker, never mind a solid fuel stove.

Aside from hot spots or cold spots to which many an oven is prone, numerous other factors affect baking times. The thickness and heat conducting properties of the tins or dishes used makes more difference than sometimes seems reasonable. Chilled food obviously takes longer to bake than ingredients already at room temperature. The larger the quantity the greater the dif-

ference, and so on.

Hence all those seemingly hedging abouts in cooking times, advice on tapping loaves for that well-baked hollow sound, and jabbing skewers in

clean.

Talking of skewers brings me to chicken and to this week's recipes which require no prodding to see when they

The slightly resinous taste of pine nur kernels combined with thyme and rosemary flavour this easy dish. Spring chickens or poussin seem to be available all year round now. These are so young and tender that they are easily split in balves. Place are easily split in halves. Place them breast up on a chopping board. Cut cleanly down one side of the breast bone. Then using poultry shears or hefty kitchen acissors snip the wishbone and cut through the bones of the back just to one side of the spine. If you prefer to use chicken places with a

chicken pieces, wings with a good portion of breast meat are the best choice. Portions weigh-ing about 225g (80z) raw are the ideal size. Poussin aux pignous Serves four

2 poussin weighing 450g (11b) or more each 55g (2oz) butter clove garlic, crushed teaspoon dried rosemary

Selt and freshly ground black

reaspoon dried thyme

3 tablespoons pine nuts Split each poussin as explained above. Spread half the butter over the base of a shallow ovenproof dish big enough to hold the chicken pieces in one layer with a little space between them. Rub each portion on all sides with the garlic and spread

the skin sides with the remain-ing butter. Sprinkle the dish

to cakes which must come out clean.

With half the herbs and lay the chicken pieces in it. Sprinkle them with the cest of the herbs and season well with salt and freshly ground black pepper. Bake the chicken in a pre-heated hot oven (220°C/425°F, gas mark 7) for 35 to 45 min-

utes depending on the size of the pieces. About 15 minutes before serving sprinkle the pine auts over the chicken and baste the pieces with the pan juices. Serve very hot with a dish of thinly sliced potatoes and a little onion baked in milk or stock, or with ribbon noodles.

People who have not tasted chicken cooked with 40 cloves of garlic understandably find it difficult to believe that the dish is not poisonously strongly flavoured with the stuff. The fact is that provided it is made with plump fresh garlic, not acrid cloves which have been stored too long, the result is especially tasty and not at all pungent.

Chicken with 40 cloves of garlic Serves jour 1 chicken, 1.35 to 1.6kg (3 to 3] lbs) and its liver

1 bay leaf sprig parsley Salt and freshly ground black pepper

2 rablespoons olive oil

30g (loz) butter

40 piump cloves garlic, peeled thick slices white bread, crusts removed Wine the chicken inside and

out and reserve the liver. Pur the bay leaf and parsicy in the chicken and season the interior with salt and freshly pround black pepper before trussing it.

Heat the oil and butter in all heavy fireproof casserole large and the chicken without too much room to spare. Brown the chicken lightly on all sides making sure that the butter does not burn. Add the lat the 40 peeled cloves of garlic and a generous seasoning of salt and pepper. Cover tigothy and transfer the casserole to a preheated cool oven (140°C/275°F, gasmark 1). Cook the casserole for

is almost falling from the bones. Remove the chicken to a serving dish and keep it warm while you prepare the garnish Skim two tablespoons of fal

about 2 hours, or until the

in a small saucepan. Roughly chop the chicken liver and saute it in the fat until just; firm. Take the cooked garlic from casserole and mash it with the

liver, pressing it through a wire sieve to make a smooth puree Divide each slice of bread into two triangles. Toast the bread lightly or fry it golden; brown in a mixture of olive all and butter. Divide the garlies and butter, Divide the garlies and butters over the streets the and liver puree between the triangles of toast and arrange them round the chicken. Serve very hot with plainly baked of mashed potatoes or with ribbon moodles. The skimmed pan juices may be served separately as a rich gravy. Devilled chicken

Screes four or 8 chicken joints, cooked or partly cooked (10g (40z) butter, softened

1 tablespoon dry mustard 2 tablespoons dry breadcrumbs 1 tablespoon Worcestershire

1 tablespoon sweet chutney or spiced apple cheese

Cayenne pepper Line a grill pan with greased foil and arrange the chicken

pieces in it. Combine all the remaining ingredients and blend well ingether. Spread the devilled hatter on the chicken pieces and grill them on a medium. ""
heat so that the ment heats "
through thoroughly, or finishes " cooking as the sauce browns as Baste the chicken from time to time as it grills.

Serve very hor with crusty bread or baked potatoes and a

Ar Walker warns EEC countries about national aid to poultry industry

ased "sluicegate" prices to producer for some poultry, an the European Council of cular help to the British ry industry. Mr Peter Walker, see of Agriculture. str of Agriculture, Fisheries Food, said.

walker (Worcester, C) was at a statement about the ing which took place on Mon-und Tuesday. Tuesday.
d: With the exception of gid: With the exception of hallan Minister, who will re-the position of his Govern-by March 10, the Council of to a package consisting of generats for New Zealand for imports of beef from countries, a new sugar and a major and policy.

obtained a three-year ment for New Zealand butter will allow imports of tonnes in 1981 and 92,000 for 1982. The Council will to 1982. The Council will the amount for 1982 before er 1, 1982. I consulted with New Zealand Government, pproved of the agreement we expressed their appreof our successful cours on their behalf, arrangements for the improvement of beef were agreed in ance with the Commission's al. including the figure of tonnes for manufacturing tonnes for manufacturing Thich is the figure sought by

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finally agreed, is generally safisfactory and includes an agriculfural development programme for
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Community funds, a scheme for
marketing and processing of
animal feed in Northern Ircland
and an integrated development
programme for the Western Isles
of Scotland to which Community
funds will contribute 40 per cent
of the cost.

The scheme for Northern Ircland will amount to \$40m and for
the Western Isles £20m.

The Council agreed after
pressure from the United Kingdom
to increase the shilegate prices
for certain types of poultry which
will be a particular help in the
United Kingdom turkey sector.
The Commissioner announced
that France had formally notified
a package of state-aids to the
Commission bad opened proceedings against France under the
relevant Article of the Treaty of
Rome.
The Commissioner also anmilk will be applied and how will

ome. The Commissioner also announced that proposils for a directive to remove the distortions of competition caused by different poultrymeat bygiene tuspection-practices would be ready in the Parliament will include a A and B quota for the price proposals and they were

United Kingdom of just under 1,150,000 tonnes—a reduction of 182,000 tonnes—a reduction of 182,000 tonnes. The cost of the regime, apart from the costs arising from the import of ACP sugar, will be financed by levies on sugar production.

The structure package, as finally agreed, is generally saffisfactory and includes an agricultural development programme for Northern Ircland, enjoying contribution of 50 per cent from Community funds, a scheme for Mew Zealand imports from the marketing and processing of Common Market, We hope he will

the way they have been helping their town farming industry?

The proposed package includes some useful reforms. What is his attitude in these thiscussions on controlling surpluses by more to responsibility levies? How does he think the proposed levy on milk will be applied and how will it affect the Eritish dairy industry?

On MCAs—monetary compensatory amounts—while there is a need to recognize the growing difficulties in the British farming industry, with a positive MCA of over 18 per cent, the Eritish con-

sumer is community to suffer.

He is the Community's biggest food taxpayer and the British housewife and consumer are boosting the CAR budget.

In these negotiations be must be prepared to accept some revaluation of the green pound: tion of the green pound.

On the total package, the proposed increases are still too generous and above all to must oppose the increases on those products that are in structural surplus.

Mr Walker: The New Zealand Government welcomes these butter proposals. To achieve the figures we achieved on the three-year agreement in the face of France and Iroland saying they favoured affigure of 40,000 tonnes to 50,000 tonnes on a one-year basis; only is an achievement the Government can be proud of and which New

Zealand is pleased with.

On the sugar beet quota, the reason I did not give the figure for Europe as a whole is that the point of disagreement with the Italian Government is that they are urging an increase in their acreage of sugar which the Community was unwilling to give last night. Therefore I caunot give a final figure until that is ultimately settled, but for the first time over Europe as a whole sugar beet quotas will have been reduced.

On state alds, I think we are On state alds. I think we are going to move into the sphere of co-responsibility levies. This can only be sensible and fair if there, is not a distortion of state aids. Therefore we welcome the Com-mission decision to take proceed-ings against france which will expose the extent and degree of this problem and result in a Com-

Because of the practical prob-lems involved the only fair, effec-tive, civilized and compassionate

way to solve the overall problem was through a Bill like this.

aLord Belstead, Under Secretary, Home Office, said over the past 15 years, the Home Office and the General Register Office had come to know of 25 such cases as a result of inquiries by or on behalf of couples who wished to marry, but were prevented by the present law.

The Law Commission in 1970

The Law Commission in 1970 concluded that no significant public interest had been expressed about amending the law, but there

was clearly a problem here which would not diminish.

The Bill was based on the hard-ship caused, but anxiety had heen expressed about inappropriate per-sonal relationships.

In principle, there was some-thing to be said for having a special procedure; but there remained the problem of affording

sufficiently precise guidance to the

courts
In a previous Bill, proposals had

been suggested for having a special age limit where step-parents and step-children were involved. Such an amendment might go some way

an amendment might go some way to meet widely expressed concern. This Bill did not apply to Scotland and this was something else that needed to be looked into. It rite Bill was given a second reading, he would be ready to concernte with Lady Wootton in seek-

rerate with Lady Woorron is seening to draw up appropriate amending provisions to be submitted to the House for scrutinev during later proceedings on the Bin.

The Bill was read a second time by 49 votes to 20—majority, 29.

House adjourned 9.25 pm.

munity decision to see that these problems do not recur.

As to the attitude of ministers on various problems of price fixing, the presidency suggested that as proposals were only published last Friday it would not be until March 16 that proper consideration could be given.

France, Germany, and other countries are expressing bifter housility to any super levy, but I believe there must be some form of penalty on increased production of guodi in surplus and the principle is one which the Government will support, as it did had year.

I find the Operation's position.

ment will support, as it did last year.

It ind the Opposition's position on MCAs remarkable. I look forward to their clear announcement as to the degree to which they wish to reduce farm incomes in this country further.

It is interesting that yesterday the countries with positive MCAs, apart from ourselves—namely, Germany and the Benelux Countries—were all stanuch defenders of positive MCAs.

It may be that they recognize that the eradication of positive MCAs is to the benefit of the foreign exporter rather than the domestic consumer. There is plenty of illustration of that being the fact by the disastrous policy of negative MCAs which the last government followed.

I assume that he takes pleasure that the proposals for price increases for vice consumer. that the proposals for price in-creases for this coming review are exactly the same as the average price increase agreed to by the last Labour government.

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Mr Walker: We considered it was important to try to improve the sluicepate prices. I think the British poultry industry requires every possible assistance which can be obtained now.

On the inspection position I had hoped the proposals would be available in January but the death of Mr Gundelach who had promised to do that made this impossible. The new commissioner has undertaken to carry out this speedily. speedily.

Mr Stephen Hastings (Mid Bed-fordshire, C): When does he ex-pect to discuss the Dutch fuel subsidy in the glasshouse indus-Growers in this country are faclag crisis this winter and many of them are being forced out of husi-

Air Walker: Proceedings are tak-ing place on the Dutch situation. On the general question of energy prices it does not just apply to the horticulture industry, where it is of immense importance, but elsewhere.

At a recent NEDC meeting an inquiry was set up with the CBI and Government to look into the general implications of energy to it that the impact on the borticultural industry is fed into the

Ar Colin Shephers (Hereford, inquiry, C): The achievements on the Mr Robert Cryer (Keighley, sluicegate price for turkey will be Lab): Poultry meat processors

clear to the Commission that we are concerned about special aids and special fayours but that we should not go on playing Marquess of Queensberry rules while they flagrantly break every regulation in the book?

Mr Watker: In terms of hygiene arrangements, this is an impor-rant difference and it can affect the competitive position. base rather than a community base.
Will be remind both the Labour Party and the Commission that one of the reasons we cannot have a retaluation of the green pound now is because farm incomes suffered so desperately when the boot was on the other foot. Any revaluation now can only mean greater unemployment of farm workers.

the competitive position.

I am much more concerned in the positry industry about the potential damage that could be done by national aids. This is an industry which could expand swiftly and with a further ajection of Government money we could create a situation where we could compete totally unfairly with another Community competitor. I would issue this warning to

other countries which may have unfair national aids to that industry. The adverse clissit of that di the Community would be such that urgent and immediate action would have to be taken.

Mr Gavin Strang, an Opposition spokesmon on agriculture Lediaburgh, East, Lab!; What he hasaereed on sugar beet quotas and levies is a step back rather than an encouragement to the future of the Tate and Lyle refinery in Liverpool. That closure is unatceptable to the people of Liverpool and is being resisted by the unions. They are supported by the unions. They are supported by the Coposition.

Mr Geoffrey Johnson Smith (East Grinstead, C): We appreciate his attitude to the poultry industry's problems. Can he confirm that the future of this industry lies in jeopardy?

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teps being taken to rengthen air fences of Britain

terest of the Soviet Union in sited Kingdom was demon-by the fact that about 225 r long-range bombers prob-ir air defences were inter-by British fighters every and Orr-Ewing (C) He was by the fact that about 235 r long-range bombers probir air defences were interby British fighters every and orr-Ewing (C). He was g a debate calling attention urgent need to strengthen defence of the United Kingdi its air defence region. nd its air defence region and defence of the United in was of vital importance

to since it would be the council base for American coming across the Atlanticalso the base for reserves would be urgently needed in Europe.
Soviets had 5,000 front-line

: In their frontal force of 3,000 could be deployed Europe, in addition, there 00 long-range aircraft and :kfire bombers. in had 70 front lipe aircraft.

ch about 50 would be sere. By 1984, a further 36 sub-jaguars would be equipped dewinders and could play a is could 90 subsorde Hawks weather and daylight.

985. with the maximum help Natu and provided Britain e political will and the guts make further cuts or delays. should be ready to meet

Mackle of Benshie (L) said f cuts had again engendered fear in the mind of key nel that they were still at arry of a Government which iment would have.

nt Slim said the country's res for defence against nu-conventional and chemical were virtually nil and little

in did not have an air e system today that conathrart (C) said the importf a sound air defence system e United Kingdom could not er emphasized, not only for fence of the country but also se of the importance that attached to the security of

staging post for reinforcements. Lord Brookes of Tremorfa (Lab)

two years. Viscount Trenchard, Minister of State for Defence, said there was no dispute on the ecormous in-crease in the Russian threat in terms of its significance for the air defence of Britain, particularly since 1970.

The Government shared the view that the country had probably stuck to the tripwire philosophy, for too long and as a result their air defence measures were logging behind. Steps were being taken to rectify the position and they should not be as gloomy as some preskers had supported they chould

speakers had suggested they should be.

The Government had closely monitored what the Russians had been doing and it was true that the strengthening of the air side of the

Soviet Union's armaments had been running at its fastest rate. It now absorbed some 27 per cent of their procurement budget. They should not assume they would be lighting a battle on their own, but rather in the context of their Nato attles. Although the numbers of Soviet aircraft were formidable, they would not all be diverted to attack Britain.

It was not true Britain only had 70 front line aircraft. There were more than 100. They should not think in a time of tension that up to 25 per cent would be "off the road."

Nato would be their first line of defence; the second being lighters with refuelting facilities. There would be a back-up of 90 Hawks which would soon be armed with Sidewinder missiles. The whole question of Nato reinforcement in an emergency was under study. These matters must be regarded in the context of Nato.

Marriage Enabling Bill given second reading

The Marriage (Enabling) Bill was the logical conclusion of a long process of liberalization which started with the Deceased Wifes Sisters Act of 1907, Lady Woodton of Abinger (Lab) said when she moved the second reading of the Bill. It removes the prohibitions on the marriageof persons who are related by marriage but does not affect the prohibition on marriage between bloood relations.

She said the Bill had nothing to do with incest. She had already been accused of doing propaganda for the legalization of incest.

The Bishop of Durham said the Bill

The Bishop of Durham said the Bill would lead to a further erosion of

the concept of the family as a stable set of structured relation-ships extending beyond husband and wife and beyond blood relations. Within that structure certain freedoms were possible because certain other freedoms were

Lord de Clifford. (C) said the Bill started the process of the destruction of the concept of the family. Lord Soper said he supported the Bill, He could see no reason why the Bill should not commend itself

munity.

Anything that could support and Anything that could support and dignify the role of marriage at a time when so many things seemed to be against it, seemed to be of the nature of enlightened and civilized conduct. Lord Boston of Faversham, for the

Opposition, said in passing an Act. the the Berry and Ward Act, they had indeed acknowledged that the basic problem existed and should be dealt with in some cases at

The Government would consider the electrification of British Rail main lines in conjunction with the

board's corporate plan and would not deal with electrification piece-meal; Mr Norman Fowler, Secre-tary of Smte for Transport, said

during questions.

Mr Gordon Bagier (Sunderland, South, Lab) had asked what proposals there were for a rolling programme of electrification of main lines.

Rail electrification

Plan for APT services later this year

Work on the advanced passenger train had not been delayed by cuts in Government support for the project, Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Transport, (Sutton Coldfield, C) stated.

He said: 1 understand from the said: 1 understand from the He said: I understand from the Railways Board that they plan to start operating the APT prototypes in commercial service later this year, but at the moment there is no firm date for their introduction. I am awaiting the board's latest appreciation of the prospects for the APT.

Mr Leslie Huckfield, (Nuneaton, Lab): There are rumours circulating that there may be several years delay because of technical problems which the APT is encountering. Will the minister is no delay on his part because of a lack of

Mr Fowler: None of the delay has Mr Fowler: None of the delay has anything to do with Government policy because of any cuts in sup-port. I can give that caregorical assurance. The three prototypes are being modified to cure the tilting and braking system prob-lems.

There have been various other There have been various other delays stretching back to 1974. It is important the three prototypes go into service as early as possible.

The cost of the AFT programme was £42m, he informed another MP. If the train could be developed into a good production line there should be an expert potential.

Fire safety at

Mr Patrick Maybew, Minister of State, Home Office, in a written reply, said: In the light of the tragic fire in Dublin, the Home Secretary will be seeking the views of fire authorities and fire service interests on the adequacy of the existing controls and standards relating to fire safety in places licensed for music and dancing.

Industrial action unjustified

There was no justification for in-dustrial action in the Civil Service at present. Air Earney Hayboe, Minister of State, Civil Service Department, said at question time.

Mr Anthony Marlow (Northamp-ron, North, C) asked the minister to carry out a new investigation of the jobs needing to be undertaken by the Civil Service based on an assumption that no organization currently existed, and then to staff the Civil Service accordingly.

Mr Hayhoe (Hounslow, Brentford and Isleworth, C) replied: No. But all ministers in charge of departments have been, and are, reviewing their | functions and tasks together with the appropriate organization and staffing required. These reviews contribute to the planned reduction of the Civil Service to 630,000 by April, 1984. The Government intends to publish a White Paper describing the work that is being done.

tive group of workers in this country, paid for out of the pockets of industrial workers hit by the recession, would be take advantage of any contemplated in-dustrial action to prove in certain departments that a skeleton staff can do just as efficient a job as the current staff?

Mr Havhoe: I would not accept his Mar Haynoe: I would not accept his description of the Civil Service. Discussions are in progress with the Civil Service unions about this year's pay settlement and the future arrangements for determining the pay of non-industrial civil servants. servants.

It is deplorable that there should be talk of industrial action at present which would disrupt im-portant public services when the Government has indicated a positive response about future arrangements for settling pay. This has been a responsible approach. There is no justification at all for

Mr Marlow: As this review con-cerns what many people would Mr Alan Williams, Opposition consider to be the most overpaid, spokesman on the Civil Service,

the staff cuts already made, needy families, on the admission of a social security minister, are not even receiving the family income supplement to which they are enti-

workers.

Mr Watker: One of the problems is that in the processing and monufacturing industries connected with dairy products and pig products, the negative MCAs policy pursued by the last Government was disastrous.

As for super-levies, the proposals in their present form are on the basis of individual dairies and therefore, in reality, mean

and therefore, in reality, mean that they are applied on a national

At a time of peak and rising unemployment, the Manpower Services Commission is considering closing down tob centres or cutting It is time for the Government to admit that the manpower cuts are only being achieved at the cost of seriously damaging the quality of essential services.

Mr Hayboe: It is right that the Government should seek to make the Civil Service more efficient and reduce some of the tasks our prodecessors laid upon them.

We have succeeded in reducing numbers by a net amount of 37,000. That is a good achievement. We have further progress to make in the coming years.

Removing windfall element from profits of gas corporation

Within four months of reaching conducive to the efficiency of the financial arrangements with the British Gas Corporation the Government had ripped up the agreement and imposed a levy of £130m retrospectively on the corporation, are proposition spokesman on energy, said during the committee stage of the financial lement that the purpose of the Bill was to Gas at the turn of a switch."

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Mr Norman Lamont, Under Secretary for Energy, (Kingston upon Thames, C) said the amendment would have the effect of making the profits of the gas corporation considerably higher and more money would be retained by the corporation, money it did not need.

The Government judged the levy should be pitched at the rate of 1p a therm in 1980-81, 3p a therm in 1981-82, and 5p a therm in 1982-83. 1981-82, and Sp a therm in 1982-23.

The adjustment of the financial target from 9 per cent to 3.5 per cent was the same target expressed in post-levy terms. No change in policy was required. It was purely an arithmetical adjustment.

The Government felt the corporation had plenty of money for its investment programme. It did not need the extra £130m which the amendment would hand it. The Government did not believe that siving the gas corporation money

siring the gas corporation money that was surplus to its investment and working requirements was

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Mir Rowlands (Merthyr Tydill, Lab) moved an amendment providing that the gas levy should start on April 1, 1980, instead of being backdated to April, 1980.

He said the profests and sense of ourrage in the constituencies following the rises in gas prices had led the Government to throw a bone to the howling dogs behind them in the form of this gas levy.

Mir Norman Lamont, Under Secre

the large windrail profits, One was the incredibly sany pricing policy followed by the Government in the past 12 months, which embarrassed the corporation and caused consiernation between the corporation and its domestic and industrial consumers.

The amendment was withdrawn.

The amendment was windrawn. Mr Rowlands, moving an amendment to substitute 1p for 3p per therm as the rate of gas levy for 1981-82, said the Opposition would divide on an associated amendment for Energy only to lower the rates of gas levy set out in the Bill and not, as the Bill provided, to change thus. He said the minister should have

the power to lower the rate, but if he wished to raise it he should Sir Hugh Fraser (Stafford and Stone, C) said by shoring up in-dustrial gas prices the Government was inflicting maximum damage on British manufacturers during what would probably be the worst years of the world slump.

Domesic gas was being over-subsidized. It was in industry that gas
should be cheap. meat had hoodwinked the public.

Mr Peter Rost (South-East Derby-

to delude the consumer and the nation instead of allowing the con-sumer to adjust to the inevitable over the longer term. Mr Norman Lamont said the Government was not complacent about energy prices but took the complaints made seriously and had responded quickly. It had agreed to the NEDO task force to investigate the problems of bulk energy users and would prepare a speedy

No decisions could be taken on the levy after 1982-83. It would be set at a rate consistent with the progration's financial objectives. The first amendment was with drawn, the second amendment was rejected by 190 votes to 152—Gov-ernment majority, 37, and the Bill read the third time by 188 votes to 151—government majority 37.

Parliamentary notices

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GLC wants to change its parking methods Power to experiment with new

parking in London will be given to the Greater London Council in the Greater London Council (General Powers) (No 2) Bill, which passed its report stage.

Mr John Hunt (Bromley, Revetshourne, Cl. sponsoring It, said that It almed to achieve more efficient enforcement of traffic and parking regulations in London, it empow-ered the GLC to examine new methods of parking control. The problem with the existing

conventional parking meters was that they only took coins. They could easily be vandalised and in-volved council expenditure when they had to be recalibrated.

The GLC planned to experiment with three methods—the use of tokens, the use of magnetic cards. and the use of some kind of invehicle display which would remove the need for meters.

Of the meter stock of 25,000, as many as 2,500 were out of order at any one time because of vandalism. Mr Sydney Champman (Barnet, PPS to the Secretary of State for Transport (Mr Norman Fowler) but his own view was that parking meters were environmental disas-ters which brought uplidess to

pleasant squares and so on. They also invited vandalism. Revenue for off-street parking should be brought in by the sale of tickets for windscreens. They could be got from machines or in advance in bulk. The GLC should get rid of every parking meter.

Mr Geeltrey Pinsberg, Under Secretary for the Environment (Camden, Hampstead, C) said the Government found the Bill accen-table in principle and hoped it would be proceed. Mr Edword Graham, an Opposition spokesman on environmer: (Entield, Edmonton, Lab) said

there was a great deal of profit being made in car perkins. Was the prime purpose of this legist-tion to came the motorist more than at present? House adjourned. 9.07 pm.

Rate increases Bill rejected

Mr William Shelton (Lambeth, Streatham, C) was refused leave to bring in a Bill which, he said, would protect ratepayers from hard faced men of the left on local councils who kept raising the rates for bizarre spending programmet. Voting on his Rates (Limitation and Procedure for Increases) Bill was 175 to 126, a majority against of 49.

iplications of decision to buy Trident

ecision by the Government to e Polaris with the Trident e might turn out to be the tone, Lord Challont said be opened a debate calling ion to the national and inter-tal implications of the deci-

t was wrong, he went on, the icance for national security I be disastrous. There was no to have taken a decision of kind for another five or 10 conceivable

ere was no conceivable agency in which it would be sary for a British deterrent to the to strike at individual tarsuch as military Installations, ey demonstrated their ability is it would take them into dimensions of strategic conation and analysis, ident was a very large project id. The Trident programme equivalent to the cost of 24 kible class cruisers or 5,000

e case for Trident was not ed. The most obvious alterna-involved cruise missiles, pos-delivered from aircraft. His preferred solution was a pro-ation of the Polaris system the construction in due course

i Gladwyn (L) said the Government should cancel Trident e it could still be done without considerable financial loss, would be on the understandthat the Treasury would noter press for further cuts in centional defences and would e no objections to Britain car-

rying out obligations to increase expenditure by 3 per cent annually. Lord Home of the Hirsel (C) said the weapon Britain chose must be credible to the potential enemy. The enemy must believe Britain could in tertain circumstances use it and that the weapons were control and disarmait and that the weapons were cap-able of doing the job:

able of doing the jop:

If Britain was to stick to an obsolete model which was going out of production they would be in danger of getting out of time and out of time with the American research and development programme. gramme.

Lord Carver (Ind) said the Trident system was unnecessary and unde-sirable. It might only be 3 per cent strable. It might only be a per cent of the defence budget but it was 3 per cem wasted. Other areas of Britain's conventional defences not only needed the money, they needed more.

Lord Ritchie of Dundee said he was one of many wishing to disociate themselves from these weapons of indiscriminate and enduring destruction and pollution. He did not believe any cause on earth would incife their use would justify their use. Lord Noel-Baker (Lab) said Trident would have no advantage over Polaris as ameans of deterrence if deterrence was a policy at all.

Viscount Trenchard, Minister of State for Defence, said there was no question that the Government wanted arms control and disarmament in a balanced way. If it did this unilaterally, it would be wide open to blackmail and forced to prepare the first country wanted surrender. This country wanted peace with freedom through

The Covernment believed in a balanced defence effort decided within the framework of Nato. The Trident decision came within within that context and was good

The United States had not only been prepared to offer Trident on a fair and good basis, but had been keen to do so. The alliance as a whole in urope had been pleased to hear that Britain intended to

The Government did not believe that Trideat would cause further proliferation. It was not a first strike weapon. Its running costs would be on par with Polaris. The debate was concluded.

Cycling policy

The Government's Green Paper on

cycling policy would be published

next month, Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Transport (Sutton Coldfield, C) said during

dance halls

Message to Spanish **Parliament**

There were loud cheers when the Speaker (Mr George Thomas) said he had sent a congratulatory telegram to the President of the Spanish Congress of Deputies. It said: I was shocked to bear of

the outrage committed yesterday against the Congress of Deputies and against yourself as its President. You and the deputies under-went a severe ordeal and your conduct has earned the respect of parliamentarians throughout the democratic world.

I offer the congratulations of the

EC governments urged to adopt procedure for assessing impact of prospective development

Tony Samstag

i procedure for compelling copean governments and ustries to evaluate the ects on the environment of broad range of development House of Lords Select Comtree on the European Com-mities in a report published sterday.

Environmental the procedure is known, is from universally popular th many of the governments to would apply it let alone e industries to which it buld be applied. The fear is buld be applied. The tear is at the experience of the sited States, where an environmental impact state-ent" is required with all pplications for federal velopment funds, could be peated throughout Europe. Critics of the American legis-tion allege that prolonged

become almost routine in the working out of many industrial development schemes.

Environmentalists, however, see the legislation as invaluable insofar as it has institutionalized the need to take the environment into account, a principle likely to be of increasing importance in the business-minded Reagan Administration that is not thought to be sympathetic to environmental issues.

The official Government line in Britain has been less than enthusiastic, objecting not so much to the principle of environmental assessment as to the European Commission's draft directive, the subject of the select committee's report, making the procedure obligatory in specific categories of

projects.
"We do not consider that it in their environments.

and expensive litigation has is feasible to prepare in advance a sensible and non-arbitrary list of projects requiring assessment or to consider a single or absolute set of thresholds and criteria for the whole of Europe", the Department of the Environment told the com-

The select committee, in fact, took the unusual step of holding a press conference to launch its report because, according to one source, it was "the first which departs from the Department of Environment line on matters of substance ".

In any case, the committee does not see the legislation as aimed particularly at Britain, which already has solid planning procedures of its own. Such countries as Italy, Belgium or Greece; however, are in more urgent need of protection, if only from outside interference

The draft directive . . . might help to ensure that developers did not choose to site projects potentially barmful to the environment in a particular member state because its development control system paid less factors." environmental

factors."

The committee is confident that most of the details that individual governments might find objectionable would be modified before the draft directive was presented to the Council of Ministers. "The Commission has entered into a scide-amount and thousand discountered into a Commission has entered into a be taken into account in decid-wide-ranging and thorough dis-cussion of the draft directive,

The House of Lords is to cussion of the draft directive, and has shown a welcome flexibility in dealing with the criti-cisms made to it", the authors of the report note. The draft directive does not mempt to define "environ-

attempt to define

ords environment report draws Whitehall objections paraphrase, specifies that any assessment must consider "effects on water, air, soil, climate, flora, fauna and their interrelationships, the built-up environment, including the architectural heritage, and the landscape".
Industries affected would

include agriculture, mining, metal processing chemical and food production and building. The prospective developer would be required to supply the environmental data with his application for planning descriptions and the control of permission: those data would

debate the report on April 6.

11th report of the House of Lords
Europeun Communities Commutee, Session 1980-81: Emironmental Assessment of Projects (H.L. 69, Stationery Office, 26.95. The document includes the text but, in the report's of the draft directive.)



The murder of Ana Rosa Calderon by Fernando Botero, Colombian artist of pneumatic flesh and wistful melancholy, from Botero by Carter Ratcliff (Abbeville, £35).

A life in the family

Alice James A Biography by Jean Strouse

(Cape, 19.95)
"You poor child!" exclaimed William James to his invalid sister in July 1886, "stifling slowly in a quagmire of disgust and pain and impotence!".

Alice James detested pity, and had once been described by William as in a permanent state of "bottled lightning". Now the cork flew off, and the lightning struck!

tre cork flew off, and the light-ming struck:

Ka'h and I roared over the 'stif-ling in a quagmire of disgust, pain and impotence', for I consider mysc' one of the most potent creatures of my time, and though I may not have a group of Har-vard students sitting at my feet drinking in psychic truth, I shall not tremble, I assure, at the last trump.

"Kath" was Vatharine Peabody Loring, the loving and fearless friend with whom she contracted what was nicely known as "a Boston marriage", and who cared for her through-out the last years of her life. Alice was the fifth child of Henry James Sr and Mary James, the sister of William the psychologist. Henry the novel-ist, Wilky the alcoholic and Bob the failure who decided he was the failure who decided he was so unlike the rest of them that he must have been a foundling. She was too plain and too clever to attract young men in a Boston grievously unmanned by the Civil War and the pull of the Far West (hence the "marriages"), yet too delicate to work, even if she had needed to, which she did not. Henry Sr was the first member of the family to live off inherited income, and the only simple things which may be said of the James children was that their loving and eccentric father ("profession: student") was of prime importance in the moulding of them all, and that they had money. The more that they had money. The more intelligent they were (William, Henry) the longer they took to make up their minds how they were going to fill their lives; the less so the faster they burned all their boats and forfeited even the induigence of a father who affected to believe that interesting failure was the retired Miss Seymour, read to the intelligence of the retired Miss Seymour, read to the fill the power of the pow that interesting failure was preferable to obvious success.

Original sin was a masculine cross: there was no need to share it with slighter shoulders. Being delicate was perfectly in order, indeed a social embellishment if conducted with taste and skill; but Alice was very different from the average delicate daughter, and the dynamic, indeed creative, nature of her delicacy is the chief subject of this marvellous book.

Jean Strouse is an intelligent and witty Californian feminist and witty Californian feminist who reviews books for Newsweek and has written Up Against the Law: the Legal Rights of People Under 21 and Women and Analysis: Dislogues on Psychoanalytical Views of Femininity. I can only conclude that the meet have conclude that she must have made those subjects livelier than usual, for she has written a life of Alice James (the first) which, in its effortless union of contemporary consciousness with nineteenth century sensi-bility, is outstanding.

No argument is ever forced by hindsight; there is no senti-mentality, no bitterness, no easy diagnosis, no covering up. Links are established with the start of the women's movement start of the women's movement in Massachusetts, with William's psychology and Henry's novels (The Wings of the Dove, The Bostonians, The Princess Casamassima) only where they are relevant and demonstrably exist. There is no earnestness, little speculation and much humour, some of it allied to a distinctly choreographic eye. "Gnce having separated himself from wife and children", she writes of the eternal father-student, he longed for them clamorously. of the eternal father-student, he longed for them clamorously. Alice recalled in her diary that he would—"the delicious infant!"—leave for a fortnight and return suddenly at the end of thirty-six hours, "with Mather beside him holding his hand and we five children pressing close round him "as if he had just been saved from drowning", and he poured out, as he done could, the agonies of desolution throwhich he had come".

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preferable to obvious success.

But man did and woman was, and at least they had had the opportunity to try. The apprenticeship of Alice James was entirely geared to promises unfulfilled since her father, for all his Swedenborgian freethinking, subscribed to the common and demandically account remains and receptionally articulate people whose history would remain demandically allowed to the common and demandically allowed remains and demandically articulate people whose history would remain a subscribed to the common and demandically articulate people whose history would remain a subscribed to the common and demandically articulate people whose history would remain a subscribed to the common and the retired Miss Seymour, read the retired Miss Seymour, read Alice James because it offers them a subject worth to follow a subscribed to the retired Miss Seymour, read Alice James because it offers them a subject worthy to follow a ing, subscribed to the common main dramatically alive even if view that whilst higher educa-tion kept naturally wicked men them. The adored sister is en-

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the inflexibility of her == political institutions?

ally virtuous women unstable. form alone—reading, learning illness was will never be known Original sin was a masculine French, teaching history by since none of the sometimes cross: there was no need to mail, sewing shirts for soldiers distinguished doctors was able and the poor—but never to go out of sight; two parents, one aunt and four brothers watch for every stumble and fall.

The parents die and the boys pass into the world; Alice, alone, breaks down. As her sickness restricts her activities and confines her more and more to sunny daybeds in the window, the flight of her spiky intelli-gence soars; she holds a London salou, starts a remarkable diary, examines the course of her strange "stopped" life, records blistering views of the English, and an acute sense of the political scene during the struggle for Home Rule in Ireland. Katharine replaces the family, and Alice prepares joyously for death: It would annihilate all questions

It would annihilate all questions of control, distinction and self-hood that had plagued her life; it would obliterate the ceaseless conflicts between body and will, male and female love and hate, good and evil, struggle and acceptance, success and failure. In the face of death, her life took on a new clarity.

"It is the most supremely interesting moment in life a she told William after hearing she told william after hearing with relief that years of nervous ambivalence were to be resolved by terminal cancer, tartly adding that she was delighted he had finally taken the point, at 50, which she had known since she was 15. With Henry she was never so sharp: both had long ago settled for celibacy and intense observa-tion, and their mutual sympathy was more complete. Miss was more complete. Miss Strouse likes Henry better than William, too, but I am not sure that I do, and she makes William more interesting in this book.

Alice James is the finest thing of its kind since Richard Sewall's great life of Emily Dickinson (1974). It is naturally less positive, for Alice lacked Emily's consolation (too small a word for what was Emily's whole existence) of writing for posterity quantities of startling and original verse, and Jamesian family problems were usually solved without the fearful Atrean ructions that rattled the clap-boarding in Amherst, but Alice read the they came out and liked them, quoting with wry pleasure:

How dreary to be somebody How public, like a frog To tell your name the livelong day To an admiring bog!

to cure it at the time, but Miss Strouse's search carries us into absorbing nineteenth century attitudes towards sickness and health, and many of the symp-toms are familiar in the history of neurasthenia as the price of "progress", the sophisticated response to the strains of civilized life. The particular torment of Alice James was not that nobody could cure her nerves, but that she be-longed to a brilliant family, to whose brilliance she was equal in every way but health. To be a woman was had enough; to be sick was too much, yet because her response to illness and, still more, to death itself was so positive and exhibarating and because Jean Strouse has told

her story with such breadth, sympathy and wit, we are per-suaded that the life of Henry and William's sister was not a tragedy and not a waste, but an end, ingeniously devised and fiercely suffered, in itself. There will be few biographies as good this year.

Michael Ratcliffe



Exactly what Alice James's Alice James, June 1870

Greek meets Turk

The Dreadful Day By Alfred Friendly

Hutchinson, £10.95)
It is the stuff of fairy tale. When the world of men was one of wood and straw and stinking horse hides there was a Great City of marble. Contemporaries reacted to it the way we would to a city in the skies. "God dwells there among men", wrote en envoy from Kiev in the 980s. "We cannot forget that beauty."

There was its size: in the

There was its size: in the early twelfth century Constantinople had one million inhabitants when the cities of the West were confused villages. It was civilization. The city contained the transversand leaves was civilization. The city contained the treasure and learning of 2,000 years and, however much the kings of the West affected to ignore it, the true heirs of Augustus and Constantine ruled there. Even now, half a millennium after its fall, the men who took it are still camping out in what must seem the ruins of the giants.

The Western guilt over Byzantium is a very old one. It was there in 1400 when the Emperor Manuel, like a man from another world, walked in long white robes through the courts of Europe seeking help.
"My God I" wrote Adam of Usk. "What dost thou, ancient glory of Rome? Who wouldst ever believe that thou shouldst

sink to such depths of misery ...? It was guilt, too, that promp-ted Gibbon to his catalogues of blindings and castrations and silken treacheries, Such things made it so much easier to for-get the West's complicity in the Fall of the Empire.

The distinguished American journalist Al Friendly has attempted to redress the balance. He takes one battle, Manzikert in 1071, in which the Turks broke for the first time the military power of Byzantium. Few Western schoolboys know that date.

But Manzikert was one of those battles that changed tured in battle. In fact the Emworld history. It began the process of Imperial decline; it brought the Turks into Asia Minor from where they would impose their gloomy slave

empire on Europe.

The trouble about such an approach is that most of the book then has to be epilogue its people in a world and prologue, the battle itself towards its last day being one in which ignorant came on May 29, 1453. armies clashed by night. There was muddle and much trea-

chery, and even the opposing generals, the Sultan and the Emperor remain shadowy figures. Neither seems to have figures. Neither seems to have appreciated its strategic importance. Both oddly enough thought they were acting defensively, so there was nothing strange in the fact that the Emperor was ransomed (only to be blinded by his subjects) and the Sultan nanded no important con-

So the battle, as an event, is something of an anti-climax in the book. Friendly makes this worse by introducing in the epilogue the most vivid character in the book, the Emperor Alexius who inherited a broken army and a bankrupt state, and had all the jackals of East and West moving in for the kill. This man by sheer guile, undeterred by civil war and defeats (there were many defeats) and playing the fac-tions against each other, reconunique figure in the Middle Ages, long-sighted, tolcrant, Ages, long-sighted, tolerant, one of the great survivors of history. The difficulty is that even in his epilogue he acts the rest of the dramatis personae off the page.

There is something magnifi-

cent about an empire, its strength gone, surviving on seeer cheek. The mechanical throne whirred out of the ceiling; the little metal birds sang: and the man in silk seemed to be more than man to the rough knights of the West and the wild shepherds of the East.

Friendly does not give enough space to what Byzantium was, and how it must have looked to contemporaries. He concentrates too much on military tactics and palace in-trigue: the Great City survived those for centuries, a great actor in a bad play.

He makes one mistake that I can see. He writes that Romanus IV was the first Byzantine Emperor to be capperor Nicephorus in 811 was captured in battle against the Bulgarians.

The subject-matter is fascinating, but the real drama, and the trazecy, is off-stage. The drama is not that of a battle but of the Roman Empire, and its people in a world moving towards its last day. Which

Economics with a human face

Small is Possible By George McRobie (Cape, £7.95)

Among the tarnished old cur- man been modified in the guts that massive capital investment rency of ideas which we jingle of the living, for better or round and round in our worse? Is small as beautiful as pockets, trying more or less it was? Is it going over big? round and round in our pockets, trying more or less vainly to make them add up into a solution to our problems, a really fresh thought is rarer and shines brighter than a current year's penny in the change, Few such in the last 10 years have looked as cheeringly bright as the late E. F. Schumacher's ideas on "eco-Schumacher's ideas on "economics as if people mattered".

Idea rather than ideas, I the book's wide ranging report
should say, for almost all he of activity in the developing
said derived with much and developed worlds. Much
detailed knowledge and connective insight, from the single great variety. The movement
perception that the phrase spreads while remaining small
"economies of scale" could and adaptable, like the ubiconceal a host of false assump-tions, wasteful of resources and harmful to the spirit.

Small is Beautiful was published in 1973, just before the oil crisis showed how fragile the ideology of unlimited growth really was. We are still coming to terms with the significant of the the transmission. ficance of that revolution. Schumacher himself died in Schumacher himself cled in 1977, having seen much of what he said incorporated into the prevailing wisdom, even though it was often on the lips of people scarcely able to shake off the habits of thought of the previous error.

of the previous era.... The appearance of the third volume of the trilogy he had projected, finished by his colleague George McRobie, is an opportunity to ask what has become of the movement in

the absence of its originator. comes from Asia and Africa, The book is a survey of its where a great deal of unspecachievements so far. Is it an tacular pragmatic work is idea whose time has come? going on, bearing witness to Have the thoughts of the dead the limitations of the doctrine

Not exactly, it seems, In one sense, of course, one would not wish it. Of all possible fates for the movement the most ironic would be for it to develop into a centralized interpolational organization with some of manufacturing glue a soap, or for low-cost wood. national organization, with a secretariat in a double-glazed palace at Geneva. There is no sign of anything like that in

and adaptable, like the ubiquitous mouse.

But not all is well. It would
be unfair to blame the book
for failing to be as begulling
and stimulating as Small is
Beautiful. It is in large part a
catalogue, and catalogues tend
to be more worthy than inspiring. Schumacher's own work
had an episodic air, as he
applied his idea now here, now
there. But the atmosphere of
imaginative gusto is absent,
except in reprinted quotations
from the guru himself. The
world has seen other crises
since 1977, and If they have
borne out many of his predictions they have also cast new
light on them. But instead of
reassessment, there is a note of reassessment, there is a note of easy uplift: this is a move-ment that shows signs of intel-lectual freewheeking.

The most encouraging news

is needed to create growth.
That sort of growth tends to
swell the shanty-towns and un-

Projects for making cement reinforced with bamboo or pine needles, for better ways of manufacturing glue and soap, or for low-cost wooden fishing net weaving machines, may sound like tinkering, but if they are designed with attention to real needs and with proper scientific rigour, they can make the difference between penury and independence in village life.

One would have been grate-One would have been grate

one woold have been grate-ful for a less rosily superficial account of developments in Tanzania, where the village approach has been embraced with a blinkered enthusiasm which creates problems likely to deserve study elsewhere. There is an ominous lack of news from the big potential market of South America.

The movement takes different forms in different sociecies. In Britain there is a modest flowering of modest cooperatives, creating 500 jobs here, 800 there. Grassroots job here, 300 there. Grassroots 100 generation is certainly not an activity to be despised these days. There is an account of the interesting history of the Lucas Aerospace Shop Stewards Combine, but no close analysis of the interplay between the new ideas and the time-honoured rituals of Britime-honoured rituals of British industrial relations.

In North America, Mr Mcl bie booyantly surveys a gr number of band-lilled orga farms, where staunch or munes live the simple l while experimenting windmills and seaweed co post, and doing exciting this with sewage. It is only to expected that the movement will have some of the faults that the number of peor experimenting with windmi today must be incomparable greater than the number it to to get the first aeroplanes in the air. Is all this resear being collated? The charge: tinkering seems a fair of

here, and tinkering is a alternative technology. The movement is still pe ipheral in the developed cou tries. That is a pity, because offers answers to many pro lems of slienarion and good husbandry which are as rel vant here as there. But are the answers really adequate in society which has alread embraced the option of his ness? How far can the movement flesh out its critique to the economic order?

the economic order? it is disappointing to find n major analysis of the Brand report, which attacked the problem of rich and poor vermuch in terms of large flow of capital, and was not nucconcerned with ensuring that the flow would nourish the roots. I believe that Pritz Schu macher's idea is one that still has much to contribute to problems like these, and would like to see it being put to work quite a lot harder.

George Hill

Fiction

The Death of Robin Hood

By Peter Vansittart (Peter Owen, 27.50)

Reparations By Rudolf Nassauer

Gentleman's Gentleman By Julian Fane (Hamish Hemilton, £6.95)

Consenting Adults Or The Duchess Will Be

Furious By Peter De Vries (Gollancz, £5.95)

History is loose ends that tingle", a facetious schoolmaster says in Peter Vansitart's remarkable novel, The Doub of Robin Hood. For him, the historical novel is loose myths that tighten and mingle. Constructed round Sherwood Forest and its Wood God called Hodekin, later Robin Hood, the book uses tree worship and Golden Bough beliefs

n link four recreated periods—life among the primitive forest peoples, at the time of good King Richard and bad King John, during the Ludditeriots near Nottlingham, and finally in the Midland suburbs that were reducing the forest to chips while the Nazis were trying to revive the ancient wood cults in Germany.

Extraordinarily with power and craft, sensitivity and dry wit, The Death of Robin Hood shows that an original novel can still be published how little done so well or obsessi-vely on these ancient themes since the death of John Cowper Powys. Vansitart has revived the bardic works, which, like Sherwood Forest, used to dominate the countryside, but are now confined to a splendid spinney or a rowering copse among the reasoned villas and ribbon developments of our culture. Those who fail to read this book will miss a significant and renewing work' Rudolf Nassauer's Renara-

tions begins where Vansistart leaves off. A Jewish banker in Frankfurt wins the National Lottery as the Nazis are rising to power. His fortune is his misfortune. His luck picks him out. With economy and dry urgency, Nassauer tells the story of the revenge of the two Jewish boy cousins, who are forced to flee while their fathers die behind them. Their

return to blitzed Frankfurt and the reparations which they make Germany pay are apt, make Germany pay are apt, devious and effective. In the most chilling phrase of a haunting book, the police chief says, "We'll fit suspects and prisoners to our needs as and when they arise." The Nazi system still informs the methanism of the state, but the children of the victims now know how to use it.

know how to use it. Julian Fane's Gentleman's Gentleman "Brownie" claims to have fought the Nazis in the Second World War. As with everything this outrageous character says of himself, it has to be taken with a pinch of salpetre. He is boastful and obsequious, coarse and tactful, fleshy and fine, mercurial and dependable, all starch and irre-verence. No Jeeves he, but far more interesting, the detached and devoted rogue, who knows that looking best after number one means looking well after number two, his master.

The book purports to be the biography of "Brownie", a substitute for his planned reminiscences, Bad Manners and the Peculiar Habits of the Upper Crist. Even "Brownie" would not have done it as well as Julian Bane has his tongue as Julian Fane has, his tongue firmly in "Brownie's" cheek. To write well and do a nine-to-live job is to refute history" is one of the novel's aphorisms. I hope that Mr Fane is only employed at writ-

Peter de Vries has long been one of my favourite American comic writers, beaten only by
the kete lamented S. J. Perelman in gags to the square
paragraph. Unfortunately,
Consenting Adults Or the
Duchess Will Be Furious shows
him gasping for jests and
scraping the bottom of the
wisecracker barrel. Beginning
with a facher who hibernates,
the book progresses through
the son's puberty, first rollich

the son's puberty, first rollick in the warm marelike-embraces of Snooky von Sickle, an attempted rape of a policewoman in full clobber, 4 threesome, orgies with triplets and then back to connubia bliss with an anorexic called Columbine. The book obviously fails to convince, but eve worse, it fails to tickle the ribs. De Vries used to have m in stitches because his joken opened gashes in the contemporary American body politic But this book is so laid bac

that it appears to have been run over as it was dashed off.

Come back, Mr de Vries, it this consenting adult, whith knows how excellently humor, one you can be. Your published has done and be your published. has done you a disservice ita printing one of your ran-mishaps, although not as muciof a disservice as Mr Fane.

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his gentlemanly comedy in

lewd cover that even Donaling

McGill would have throw

away on Blackpool beach.

Andrew Sinclair.

Big sister

Dorothy Wordsworth A Portrait Ey Elizabeth Gunn

(Gollancz, £12.50)

Seen moving around the Somer-ser hills in 1797, between Alfoxden House and Nether Altoxden House and Nether Stowey, the immortal trio were cause for alarm among the locals. Were they perhaps emissaries of the turbulent French? Roundabout word reached the Duke of Portland, Pitt's Home Secretary:

"... suspicious business concerning an emigrant family... the Master of the house has no wife with him but only a woman who passes for his sister. The man has Camp Stools which he and his visitors take about with them when they go ... upon their nocturnal or diurnal excursions ... also a Portfolio.

Portfolio
Probably the Portfolio was
Coleridge's, a great man always
for Portfolios, and the sister (a
genuine one) was Dorothy
Wordsworth. She had wild ways,
washed clothes on Sunday, took
long country walks at night
alone, was tanned and gypsyish.
Portland mok it all serionsly Portland mok it all seriously enough to send down a detective with a Bardolph nose.

Dorothy is of course very much more than a handmaiden, a washer of clothes, more than a nurse coping with two tremen-dous geniuses, their bellyaches, their hydrocele, their fevers, toothaches, prostrations, colds in the head brought on by the endless Cumbrian rain, She isn't simply the mourner of the deaths of others' children, or the virgin whom Coleridge never (lucky for her) took to bed. Her Journals, kept sporadically between 1798 and Byron Rogers | 1828, established her own exquisite writing gift., Brother

William would cast an eye over them from time to time and write a poem built out of them which doesn't always improve on Dorothy's original handi-work. As late as 1823, when she was in her 53rd year, sailing between Dover and Ostend at and Ostenda at Ostenda at Carlon and Ostenda at Carlon write: "... But now, overhead was a bustle of quick steps, trailing and heaving of ropes, with voices in harmony. Below me, the vessel slashed among the waters..."

Mrs Gunn has written with subtlety and intimate understanding about a complicated and greatly gifted woman who sarmounted griefs, walked as an equal with two men of supreme against and in almost approximately and in almost approximately app genius, and is almost as much the author of "The Leech-gatherer" as is Wordsworth himself. During her long 20 years of twilight (1835-55) her nature warped; she exchanged her talent for mediating and inspiring for a domineering selfishness. But this was illness. Her arteries had begun to starve her brain of blood. The true Dorothy is the one her brother immortalises in "Tintern Abbey": "... and in thy voice I catch/The language of my former heart, and read/My former pleasure in the shooting lights/Of thy wild eyes ..."

The author's syntax is on occasions a bit mannered, and she isn't the first writer by many to find the conveying to the reader a sense of the passing of time devilishly difficult; hut these flaws aren't by any means enough to mar an absorb-ing and richly detailed book— a book not about one, but about three, great spirits.

Matchstick man

Life with Lowry By Tilly Marshall (Hutchinson 17.93)

Well, Sir", said Lowry to a friendly art critic about a late "I suppose you can picture, say the Monument is mel What a way to end up!" What non-sense! But his imminent decease was his staple opening gambit in conversation. He lived to 88. He maintained that he had done nothing in life: he had never shot anybody nor robbed a bank. He was a devious and reticent man. His life was painting; but he hardly revealed that for over 40 years he had earned a living as a rent-collector. He seidom strayed sour! of his native Manchester, but anyone less of a "Sunday painter" it'd be hard to integrate. He was deeply not be in the service of the service and widely steeped in European art (be seldom read), and his own passion was for the late work of Rosetti.

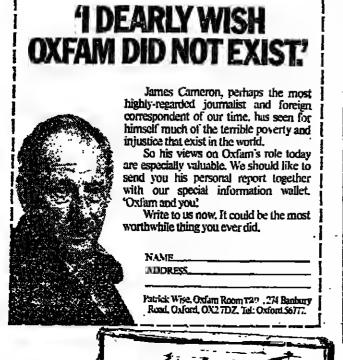
his on a postage stamp), but it is not loneliness that pervades his work, it is a solitude, almost impervious to humanity. This surely is one of the reasons for his painting the ant-like crowds of northern working families in industrial landscapes, real and imaginary, hurrying somewhere. Where? Why? He pushed his brush iato the nest and stood back. The commotions and the settings were, to him, beautiful and truthful. Lowry is in the best English tradition of outresecusiv uneccentric eccentrics. (A joint show, now, of Lowry and Edward Burra would David Williams be worth seeing!) Perhaps Mr and Mrs Mershall, who have

kept the Stone Gallery at New castle going so splendidly might consider it? The Marmight consider it? The Mar shalls coped with Lowry for the shalls coped with Lowry for the last 14 years of his life (74-88). It is the for most of which time he was a totally unpaying and very demanding guest. Mrs Mar demanding guest. Mrs Mrs Mrs demanding guest. Mrs Mrs Mrs demanding guest. Mrs Mrs Mrs demanding guest. Mrs Mrs demanding guest. Mrs Mrs demanding guest. Mrs Mrs demanding guest. Mrs dem but the sheer repetition has it own seductiveness. The merhor Mrs Marshall uses is of writing dialogues which cannot be strictly true and give the book the air of a "realistic" Drabble fiction. But, obviously, Low. did talk something like this. "Uncle Laurie" was not sta

aloof from life as not to had had yearnings. He "upcles and "godfathered various younger women—all of then clearly worth loving—and dit much for them. His total meanues to the Marshalls, and his and his state of the Julyand Revenue. hatred of the Inland Revenue don't exactly add up in Scrooge The Marshall's dote. on the old codger in a way on the old coages on the composited, indeed, but it sides knew, and did make the without it.

This is a curious, endearm and paradoxical book, Whom of Kovsky we end up liking the more There is no question of heart anyone, as portrayed here. It less. But if you happen not know, or to dislike. Lowry work, it's hard to think who you will make of this ratio his position of Marchalls so generously distributed to the Marchalls so generously distributed. There is no question of liking the Marshalls so generously for this cormudgeonly. master—and he for them.

Patric Dickinso. hwerful, unfi



life—"You know how it is".
"These things happen "—until

the piece almost becomes a desperate monologue.

However grateful Bernie may be for her return, the fact is not lost on him that it was she

who sought him out, and his apologetic probing finally discloses her motive. Her marriage is a washout; and she has tracked him down to claim his overdue biological debt as a fasher.

We have met such characters

We have met such characters on the American stage before: small bruised victims helplessly clasping each other in the warmth of some filmsy sanctuary from the outside world. If Mr Mamer had stopped there the evening would have told an old story. As it is, we proceed from Bernie and Carol's tentarive dinner engagement to the

rive dinner engagement to the scene of a father driving his daughter home on a night road. The change is total.

Where the first two charac-

"being close" while keeping the table between them, the second pair snuggle up round the wheel for a Red Indian story, too close to have to put it into words. Thanks partly to

it into words. Thanks partly to John Wart's lighting, and partly to Susannah Fellows's transformation into a rapt listener, this piece wonderfully combines three possible meanings: either

as an elegiac throwback to Carol's youth; an adult reenactment of childhood fol-

lowing chronologically from the first play; or as an idyllic

father and daughter scene for

two entirely unrelated people.

Whichever reading you prefer,

Stuart Owen's production is ac occasion of theatrical poetry.

might be seen from the whips' office, where the future of Britain depends on "bog-trotters" who are charged with rounding up the MPs from the

rounding up the MPs from the lavatory while other whips are moving the Ministry of Defente to bring in a vote from Northern Ireland by helicopter. With good jokes spread among 17 actors and some very dark humour while a drunken MP taps on the chests of the walking wounded with their newly

ing wounded with their newly implanted pacemakers or plas-ter-covered bodies, it does seem

richly, morbidly, comic.
Mr Ashton is canable of more

than that, and beyond his sar-donic pleasure in showing Mrs Thatcher turning out a Labour MP who is nursing her child-or the calculated savotage of the

Scottish Nationalists, he evokes a kind of heroism in those who sacrifice theroselves for their

ideals, even from their death-

beds.

Kenneth Alan Taylor's production has a snappy and happy rhythm, picking up and abandoning conversations from the

large and pleasing Coliseum company with precision. Mr Ashton calls it a piece of history with fictionalized charac-

ters, and that is just what it

seems. It is also a piece of intelligent enterrainment.

Andrew Mambly-Smith as

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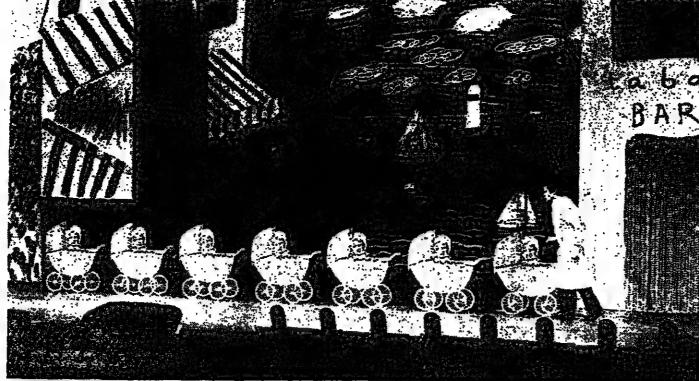
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then word first got out that Met were planning a triple comprising Satie's Parade, misor's Les Mamelles de la comprision de l

der audiences did not care double bills, unless they made up of Cav and Pag, alone triple ones. The ks chosen were wilfully obre, it was argued, and anythey were much too intictor for houses the size of the John Dexter, who had reived the idea, coolly extend this flood of critical by announcing that once had got the French triptych

time, and there it stayed. work of John Dexter and veteran French conductor Rosenthal (a Met who shared equally Hockney the



David Holloway as the Husband in Les Mamelles de Tirésias

house has staged in several

rest, particularly in the salt concept of the triple and dropped out. Attenthen veered to David kney, who was designing the American stage for the arms in France. A striped circus awning parts to show a troupe of

show a troupe of entertainers—the parade of Harlequin and Columbine, Pierrot and Conjuror—emerging from the barbed wire and searchlights of the trenches, They represent the inborn resilience to the terrors of war, whether it takes the shape of a French-style ENSA boosting the morale of the troops or the fact that behind the front line the entertainers go on enter-

taining.

Parade is used simply to give a taste of what is to come. Faces appear in the crowd:

the woman at the typewriter is surely Colette who provided the libretto for L'Enfant et les and the opera begins. Apolsoptilèges, there is Picasso, this linaire's play which Poulenc is the Paris of 1917, and over there is L'Enfant himself who is looked after by Harlequin (excellently danced by Gary Christ) and takes his place at the side of the stage to watch the opera which follows along with a commedia dell' arte for the rest of the evening.

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extrovert performance from Catherine Malfitano) lets her breasts float away into the azure and grows a beard while her husband (David Holloway) starts a production line of babies

Apollinaire's sex-change jokes are less important than the passing show of comics, including the duo of Presto and Lacoui, who are straight from Offenbach. All too often Mamelles appears vulgar on

while the audience files out for the interval.

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for the interval.

Colette's crystalline fantasy of the Child who turns on his playthings in a fir of bad temper persecuted by them in revenge has inspired an even more dazzling set of designs from Hockney. He has created an infant's perspective of an outsize adult world: the car asleep by the fire is huge, the armchairs and the clock dwarf the solinary Child. Hilda Harris in the title tole, dressed in the tricolor which is in evidence throughcut the evening, conveys exactly how quickly temper turns to terror as the books he has torn and the cups he has smashed converge on him.

The transformation to the

The transformation to the garden, a wonderland of vast blue trees with orange-red trunks, is achieved without a sound by the Mer's stage crew. The Child makes his peace with the world again when he binds the wounded paw of the Squirrel (Florence Quivar) and his animal persecutors realize that he is not so bad after all—"Il a panse la plaie".

David Hockney, with his use of primary colours, and John Dexter, with his precise direc-tion, have together drained off the sentimentality which often threatens this opera. Manuael Rosenthal, a Ravelian to his fingertips, keeps in perfect shape the gossamer web of the score. The Met have devised an assembly of song and dance, music and art, which has the verve and imagination of a top-class Broadway musi-

If further evidence were needed of the health of the bouse after its pre-Christmas closure it came the next afternoon in a revival of Rossin's L'italiana in Algeri. There was Marilyn Horne, stately and comic by turn in the title role, and Rockwell Blake as Lindon

Reunion/Dark Pony King's Head

Irving Wardle

Taking Shakespeare and the Greeks as the measure, then the Greeks as the measure, then the most affecting passages anywhere in world drama are those showing the reunion of long separated blood relatives. Where David Mamet parts company from Sophocles is in cutting the separation bit and reuniting his two characters in the first scene. I do not mean to sound derisive, as this author knows his business.

The boint he is making in this double bill is that reunion is not simply a matter of physical presence; and although there are no biographical links between the two sets of characters, the hour-long first play

ters, the hour-long first play would be incomplete without its

five-minute sequel.

In Reunion, we see a daughter meeting the father she has not seen for 20 years. They stand, foolishly grinning across a table, as unfamiliar to each other as they are to us. Bit by bit the story of Bernie and Carol begins to come out; his collapse from wartime valour collapse from wartime valour into peace-time drinking; divorce, and years of alcoholic casual labour before he scrambled on to the wagon. With his nervous laughs, overeager hospitality, and shame-faced criticism of his daughter's smoking habits, Don Fellows plays him as a reformed delinquent who would never venture any assertion of parental authority. He does most of the talking, most of it hovering around the board hovering around the word "respect"; while she stone-walls his questions about her

A Majority of One Coliseum, Oldham

Ned Chaillet

Indian kings used to write plays so it should be no surprise if a member of Parliament turns to the stage. It is just as well that Joe Ashton, Labour MP for Bassetlaw, has a sense of bumour as well as dramatic ambitions, since the subject of his play is so related to his other work. A Majority of One is a backbencher's backroom view of a big crisis in the last Labour Government.

Counting the MPs who were dying in hospital or at home, and those who could not vote on important legislation, the Labour Party had an overall majority of one in November, 1976. Getting them in for a crucial vote on the nationalization of the shipbuilding industry was important not just for the piece of legislation but because a failure on that would mean a general election. Great issues may be at stake, but Mr Ashton's view of crisis is gorgeously farcical.

He shows the drama as it Rossini/Suppé

Hilary Finch

Guildhall School

The kaleidoscope of current student opera productions turns and pauses on a particuproductions

larly colourful patterning:

double bill of Rossini's
youthful La Cambiale di Matrimonio and Suppe's one-act
comedy Ten Belles without a Rossini wrote La Cambiale at

high speed to help out an impressario who had been let down: its witty, mercurial music, especially when played as urbanely and vivaciously as it was on Tuesday, makes up for the thin story of arranged and rearranged marriage.

Vilem Tausky, conducting for the first of his three nights (tonight students take over), tautly controlled the pacing of recitative and ensemble within Tom Hawkes's neat and affectionate production. And against a set detailed and fuzurious enough to serve wisely again in the Suppe (and there with nicely vulgarized in-Arthur decoration) Coomber played the buffo sexist operas in the repertoire. father with thoroughly idio in an energetic and imaginative matic vocal and dramatic sense. production, Jady Pearl's forth-The accomplished and ringing coloratura of Christine Bunning as his daughter, Fanny, in an aria which turns up again in The Barber, augured well for her future.

Slook was a convincing enough swaggering American stud, but part vocally, while his rival, Edoardo, acted winningly by Joseph Matti, lacks as yet the necessary bloom to soften his potentially steely Italianate

With the exception of a Harrow Opera Workshop pro-duction in 1978, Suppé's hourlong operetta has, perhaps deservedly, not been heard in Britain for more than a century. Don White's dialogue and George Hauger's new English lyrics do their best to liven things up, and, again, some excellent orchestral playing, lush and opulent under the multifarious vocal games, was certainly worth listening to.

And the work does give young singers a chance to show off, after a fashion, in the long stream of pastiche party pieces which pour out of the Ten Belles in turn as they parade themselves, contending for the hand of the youth procured by their father and only to be revealed as his long lost son.

It is, if you like to think in those terms, one of the most In an energetic and imaginative production, Jady Pearl's forth-right and assured Leni, and Ian Smith's lightweight but unusually pure-toned tenor Horst made the hour feel not very much more than 60 minutes

Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions

irts agenda

fiftieth anniversary of the Symphony Orchestra has the occasion for much bration of the orchestra's my but the season will also the forced retirement of ral of its long-serving mem-

because they are aged

60. There is some unhappiamong the orchestra that,
in the next two months, it
lose four of its most experied players, including the cipal trombone. Its oldest nber, the harpist Sidonia seens, aged 81, may be

arting later.
be BBC says there has
tys been a rule about staff
ing within two years of thing 60. Lately this has be-I decided that the rule must observed, although special ngements were made so ers could stay on during anniversary season. Never ess, members of the prchescannot understand why the

has suddenly become and they recall bow in) the corporation forcibly red Sir Adrian Boult at the of 60-a decision which was rwards deeply regretted by

One of the few cinemas surng from before the First rld War, the Electric Cinema west London, celebrates its entieth anniversary next ith with a typical pro-mme from its earliest days: can thrill to The Passions Men (in which a virtuous ng lady is compromised by wicked employer), weep r The Road to Ruin (degraion through gambling and demon drink), wonder at Pathé Animated Gazette laugh with The Lovesick idens of Cuddleton. The w. to be repeated on March will cost only the original rance price: one shilling.

Yet another anniversary, of death 50 years ago this ek of Dame Nellie Melba, ngs with it news of the dis-ery of an unpublished manu-ipt by the singer. Mr Alan ide-Paddock, of Maesteg, ith Wales, says he has found 5,000-word work among his e mother's papers, and pre-nes it was a gift from Melba his great grandmother, a end of hers who performed der the name Adelina Bur-

He says Melba describes the allife for an artist recom-inding a "life of sacrifice". a singer, and discusses how produce beautiful tone ough exercises. He has ecked the authenticity of the

muscript and is arranging for publication. Melba's friend Adelina Murli was not a singer but that nost forgotten artist, a sif-use, or whistler. Mr Wadeddock says that she toured eat Britain and Europe giving ncerts and even entertained ng Oscar II of Sweden, gain-the title of Court Whistler.

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Among its coming attractions the BEC is announcing a new radio show, Punch, with the magazine's editor Alan Coren as both writer and performer. There is only one slight hitch: Coren has yet to complete the

At the urging of the BBC he At the urging of the BBC he did a pilot programme, which they liked—a fact which surprised him. "I have been responsible for more dead pilots than Goering", he said. The pilot was taped and the BBC asked for five more shows, bur Coren feels he has not so far found the right formula. He wants to develop the various wants to deve send-ups that Punch does regularly, with cod travalogues and the like, but he is still searching for a style which works as well on the air as it does in

London Festival Ballet, which starts a month's season at the London Coliseum on Tuesday, has given the go-ahead for its new small-scale touring group. Consisting of 15 dancers and a dozen musicians, it will tour smaller venues doing one or two night stands; the first tour will take place at the end of September.

The group will present three one-act ballets, including a new work by André Prokovsky based Ostrovsky's The Storm. This had been planned for the main company, but for financial reasons restival Ballet is concentrating until the end of the summer on performing full-length ballets—because these artract bigger audiencesso the piece will be presented instead by the touring group. A new work by Michael Pink is also planned.

Some of Festival Baller's money worries have been re-moved by an extra f50,000 grant from the Arts Council, to help wipe out its £103,000 deficit, and the company is also planning a foreign trip in July, to the Nervi Festival near Genoa, with Peter Schaufuss and Eva Evdokimova among the dancers.

Albert Finney seems likely to dominate cinema screens in the coming year, with starring roles in five films made virrually without a break. Since the end of 1979 he has completed a horror film, Wolfen, a crime thriller, Loophole, a futuristic work, Looker, and he is now in California with Diane Keaton filming a marital drama, Shoot the Moon; with the British director Alan Parker. After that, with scarcely a pause for breath, he will play Daddy Warbucks in the film of the musical Annie.

NOT TO BE MISSED: Brian Friel's Faith Healer, with Patrick Magee and Helen Mirren, opens at the Royal Court on Monday.

Martin Huckerby

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Baldwin/Muggeridge ATV/BBC 2

Michael Church

Television spends so much of its time watering down other art forms that we should perhaps be grateful when it creates one of its own. Take the Ego Trip, two fine specimens of which were simultaneously offered to the nation last night.
An Ego Trip, not to be confused
with its unpleasant lower-case
namesake, is ideally made by a grand old man through terri-tories he has, by the pen or the sword, conquered and made his

In I Heard it Through the Grapevine James Baldwin went on a journey through the Deep South, to see how civil rights were getting along. The answer, of course, was none too well, as economic forces have a wonder-ful way of neutralizing political gains. Baldwin's grapevine was alive with angry rumour: no matter how long the lines of freshly mortar-boarded blacks there was no disguising the battle-torn slums nor the sober-ing fact that the Klan was once again on the march.

Since this was a Trip, however, nothing so banal as straight factual reporting would do (note that "idea developed by " in the credits). Original newsreel footage, often sad, often shocking, was dovetailed with the present in a manner which was both horribly artistic

Westminster Abbey

Although the first thwack on

a tom-tom provoked appre-

hension as it reverberated

around the distant roof, and

although the musicians, posi-

tioned in the chancel, were

hidden from most of the

audience, several small audio-

visual miracles were performed to turn the abbey into a spec-

Richard Williams

Sky

and thoroughly confusing. Soul music sped the musing sage on his sunlit way from one nudg-ing collodur to the next. The producer-director was a grad-uate from World in Action: a refresher course at that excel-lent establishment might do him

no harm at all.

Meanwhile, in the first episode of Muggeridge: Ancient and Modern, a cheerfully self-absorbed St Malcolm was was

tacular setting for Sky's recital on Tuesday, in celebration of Amnesty International's twen-

The event was billed as the

abbey's first rock concert, which is stretching a point

since, whatever they may be.

Sky are no closer to rock than

Jacques Loussier was to jazz in the days when his Play Bach

albums could be found in every G-Plan home. John Williams

and his colleagues make exten-sive use of the surfaces and

mannerisms of the progressive

rock of the early 1970s, but

their spirit is somewhere else.

tieth anniversary.

repudiate, as he put it, the arrogant figure who leered out at him from an autobiographical film made 16 years ago.
"Humility, an, humility, the
condition of all virtue!" He
wondered how much more he wondered how much more he bore, but no one could com-would have to repudiate in the plain at seeing even parts of weeks to come. these magnificent films by How well does he know him- Kevin Billington again. St Malwould have to repudiate in the weeks to come.

How well does no know use self? Does he really think he colm has lived through an extended it will be a has changed? I doubt if he ing times, and it will be a his changed to repudiate his pleasure to follow in his making his Trip on wings of will be asked to repudiate his pleasure celluloid. What a terrible man performance on a chat show a footsteps.

I was!" he exclaimed, glad to

No matter. Their undemanding music pleases those for whom rock is too harsh and classical music too time-consuming, and they flaunt their unimpeachable musicianship with an engagingly light-hearted air. If, too, they introduce new listeners to Handel and Bach, then presumably they are performing a service, although it would perhaps be more fun if they also went to the other extreme and initiated lovers of the light classics into mysteries of Bo Diddley and Captain Beefheart.
Their best work is their sim-

plest, most melodic, and least rock influenced, like Tarruega's "Recuerdos de la Alhambra" arranged for the acoustic gui-tacs of Williams and Kevin Peek, and "Hello", a graceful lyrical piece by their new pianist, Steve Gray. Rock fans, however, would find their louder pieces, exemplified by Peek's "Sahara" and Francis Monkman's "Fifo", brimming with cliches from Santana and King Crimson, while their rowdy retread of Bach's Toccata and Fugue in D minor is an abomination. Do they really

mere two years ago in which

he attempted to put down Quentin Crisp with what looked

like meanly gratuitous con-

The halo may be humbug, and the latest incarnation a

A rewarding and cheerful taste for true-life Texas

vivor of 20 years on New York's most popular daily television soap opera, who is now recreating his original starring role in a Broadway musical called The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas which opens to night at the Theatre Royal Drury Lane.

This has not, thus far, been

the best of winters for Mr For-sythe; in November, while attempting to alleviate the gloom of rehearsals for the gloom of rehearsals for the aforementioned soap opera (As the World Turns of which he has had to prerecord more than 50 episodes in order to allow for his stay in London) by doing a jokey Groucho. Marx walk across the set, he fell and fractured a shoulder, which means that a hitherto right-handed Sheriff in The Best Little Whorehouse now shoots left-handed. A month later, his house in New Jersey was reduced to ashes by a mysterious cellar fire, and a mouth later still it took him 24 hours to fly from New York to in Scotland and Manchester.

Considering all that, Mr Forsythe remains cheerful;

mat he is not some kind of enjoys the out ride to work at actor tarted reter masterson in high markets and a turned it into a stage gam of Dickie and Brucie. On from the corner of the Aki- musical which Mr Masterson the contrary he's a veteran wych he can see his name up now co-directs with Tommy American character actor, sur- in neon above the title, an Tane in a production starring experience bitherto denied him in 40 years as an actor:

"During the New York run all we had was a flashing red sign reading "WHOREHOUSE" but that seemed to do the trick; the show is still running more than three years now. Universal Pictures. who originally financed the show while it was still off-Broadway, are going to make the movie with Burt Reynolds in my role and Dolly Parton as

The show itself has had a curious stage history; it began in 1973 when an American ia 1973 - when an journalist wrote a story for Playboy magazine about a celebrated bordello which had existed in the backwoods of Texas for 200 years but was now in imminent danger of being closed down by a local bible-belt television evangelist brothel, her good friend the local sheriff who was torn between the letter of the law and his affection for her establish- house off-off-Broadway it ran

Mrs Masterson, Carlin Glynne, as the brothel keeper. It has thus remained something of a family show, and all three original characters (who still live in Texas) are also financially involved. As there are currently touring versions playing Australia and South Africa, plus two American touring companies and the con-tinuing Broadway presence, it is arguable that more money has now been made from the closing of the real-life Whore-house than was ever made dur-

ing its 200-year existence. "It's about people from the backwoods, and that's always been a theme of the American musical alongside the big-city slicker shows. I'm a country boy myself, though not from Texas: my father once edited the Oklahoma City paper and then he bought a paper in a boom town which rapidly The three principal characters stopped booming in the to emerge from the piece were. Depression, so he had to go the lady in charge of the work for my grandfather in poultry and eggs and I grew up around farms.
"When we first did Whore-

ment, and the TV evangelist over three hours and needed a Shortly after publishing the lot of work; then we moved to

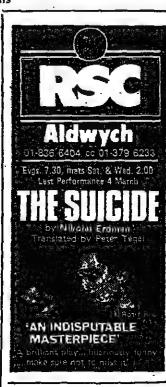
The first thing to establish he has found himself a story the Playboy writer, Larry off-Broadway, did some more about Henderson Forsythe is flat in Cadogan Square and King, joined forces with an work still and finally arrived that he is not some kind of enjoys the bus ride to work at—actor called Peter Masterson—at the 46th Street Theatre where it's been ever since. We weren't an overnight success cult to or anything like that; in fact a song-some of the reviews were downright terrible. But the goddam word of mouth was very good; people used to ring us up backstage just to tell us how much they'd enjoyed it, and then after we'd been running about a year both Carlin Glynn and I got the Tony Awards and that seemed to make a helluva difference. Business skyrocketed, the place was sud-denly crawling with Texans up on business and we finally caught on. There have been hundreds of musicals about whores before, but this one is fresh and poignant and when you get right down to it, it's not really about sex at all. It's about hypocrisy and it's about love and it's about country-western music with a little rock thrown in, and somehow that all seemed to come together, especially for the outof towners in New York. "Mind you, a little scandal

never hurt anybody; we had some posters on buses in New York reading 'Come to the Whorehouse' and the local Archbishop objected and that did us a lot of good in public-ity, probably more good than we'd been allowed to show the posters. But musicals are a

lot of fun to do; when you've spent 30 years as I have doing everything from Shakespeare to the Soaps, it's not that difficult to stand out front and do

"Bur when I look at that goddam marquee Drury Lane I just wish I was 10 years younger; then it would have been the most important thing in my life. Now, I'm still wckled, delighted. pleased, but somehow doesn't seem to matter that much. I guess that's what you get for being 63. Stardom has come a little late, now, and even the good reviews don't seem to matter. I don't read reviews much; after Whorehouse opened on Broadway I asked my wife what the Walter Kerr notice was like and she said I think he wants to marry you' so I didn't read it lest I got selfconscious. lest I gor selfconscious. Anyway, coming over here and watching an actor like Ralph Richardson is liable to give you a pretty strong sense of your own limitations. Have you ever noticed how when he comes on a stage he manages to make you think he's going to be inept, and then he gives a performance which is just about the most ept you ever saw? That's what it's all

Sheridan Morley







and got the French triptych er his belt he would turn attention to a Russian tri-bill devoted to Stravinsky ie one concession to the office, insisted on by the 's board, was the casting of tyey in Satie's ballet de, which was soon need as the title for the ding's entertainments, syev never showed great

wade before the first night more often than not red to as "The Hockney as", which rather over-ed the fact that Satic's t has no singing and took treat account of the contri-ons of Ravel and Poulenc-iso did less than justice to

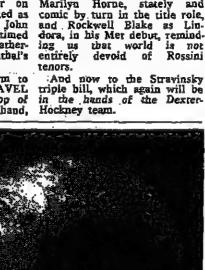
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Those who regard Parade as one of the sacred cows of the dance repertoire will find the treatment cavalier, and Gray Veredon's choreography is undistinguished. Others are likely David Hockney turns into a to approve it as an adroit curtain-raiser to Les Mamelles de Tabacs and its young men in Treisias, which follows virtually without a break. A from some Sandy Wilson and the Child lies on top of them, chin. cupped in hand, tenors.



James Baldwin: a grapevine alive with angry rumour

Putting power in its proper place

Legitimacy is the most important ! single principle of government. Nothing else offers the same assurance of that combination or order with freedom under known law which is the essential basis of a decent human existence. Respect for legitimate government (and it has been the achievement of Britain to sustain the concept through many centuries of political change) is the best bulwark against the tyranny of

revolutions, and all the arbitrary bru-tality that follows the overhrow of an established order by force. Yet almost any concept that the human mind can envisage leads, if pursued with uncompromising logic, to something intolerable if not to absurdity. The case for order, given reincity over every other consideraliberty in licence and disorder. We need such concepts as stars to steer by, trimming a little this way and that to avoid disaster, but we make our greatest mistake if we think that our finite minds can discover in a single principle the perfect recipe for

government. Even legitimacy is not an excep-tion to this rule. Indeed, it is a fragile thing, easily tested to destruction, and it is the principal husiness of those who are responsible for its preservation not to let this happen. When King Charles I was told ren. When King Charles I was told by the unarguably illegitimate tri-bunal that condemned bim that he was "before a court of justice" he replied shortly and to the point: "I see that I am before a power". He had arrived there not by malignity or intended tyranny (indeed, the principle of government for which he sought to stand was not, in intention, an ignoble one) but by political

It is the supreme business of those

who have legitimate povernment in their charge to see that it is not used in such a way as to give levers to the kind of arbitrary power that always waits in the by-ways of human affairs waiting to destroy it.

The present Covernment has just retreated from conflict with the miners and faces the prospect that its authority will be challenged by other workers under state employment. In the case of the miners, Mrs. Thatcher saw that she was confronted by a power, and she sensibly. retreated before the Government's head was in any danger. The best style of government, however, manages things so as to avoid being drawn into positions from which the only escape is by retreat, and it is important that it should not get into. such a corner again. It will only succced in avoiding this danger if, it gives much more serious thought than it appears to have done so far to the social realities underlying the

challenges to its authority.

The special problem of Britain lies in its industrial relations. Of course, that is not all there is to it. We are in a world recession which has been produced largely by the politico-economics of oil (itself caused by the oil producers' new awareness of power), and other countries lot we have envied, West Germany, for instance, have not escaped it. But we are harder his than most because we are a special case. We went into recession quicker than our competitors, and it is by no means clear that we shall emerge corres-

pondingly sooner.

The problem is two-headed, Organized labour has sensed its corporate power across, industry but has too often failed to learn how to use it constructively. Governments have learnt to fear this power, but not

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to harness it to their legitimate authority. Wise trade union leaders understand the danger, and although they are tied in an old relationship with one of the two political parties, most of them are as careful as they can be not to adopt courses that might threaten the legitimacy of gov-ernment when either party is in

Indeed, the greatest strength that legitimacy possesses is the wish of the majority of those whose own interest moves it to challenge the decisions of government not to push their challenge to the point at which legitimacy of government is brought into question. The wise Mr Joe Gorm-ley put it very clearly the other day in an interview in the Daily Mail when, acknowledging that the miners had forced one government to the country, he added: "We can't get into the way of thinking that this is something we can do again and again."

"For next time", he said, "whatever government we end up withleft or right—they are going to take action to make sure that it can't hapen a third time." In other words, if trade unions use their industrial strength to change governments, of the country and the trade unions which will be changed.

Legitimacy must never test its authority to destruction and it seems to me that some new means are now nceded to draw the power of organ-ized labour to its defence. On the Government's side is the fact that most of those who are critical of aspects of its policy are as much concerned as anyone else to uphold the legitimacy of government.

To suggest this sort of change is not to challenge the essential diagnosis of the Covernment that state spending is too high, tends to be undisciplined and ought to be cut. But what is the Government to do if, as well as the political and human pressures which drive it to avoid the kind of retrenchment that would damage the social services or de-fence, it is also under pressure from organized labour, with its enormous wrecking potential, to spend money that should not be spent to preserve jobs or raise wages in the national-ized industries? (There is, in fact, a distinction between the two and it does not follow that we can draw conclusions from the miners' suc-cessful fight for jobs and apply it to the water-workers' drive for higher

waces.)
The Government, while it should not abandon the application of cash limits to the soending authorities that call on public money, should find means by which they can be applied flexibly and with consultation. The coal industry, faced with a falling demand for coal, high stocks and uneconomic pits, needs a programme which carries the consent of the miners—and that, of course, is the direction in which the Government is being driven by events.

In the steel industry, the Govern ment has been obliged to commit another huge injection of public money and here Mrs Thatcher does not conceal her belief that if steel could be made profitable it should be denationalized and freed from the political involvement that has bedevilled it. But in the last analysis the power of the steelworkers (because of the power of the product) does not match that of the minersand for the coalmines as for most other nationalized industries, denationalization is not an option, for

various historic reasons. So we come back to the question whether the Covernment should look for new forms of consultation within the industries for which it is directly responsible, involving some kind of direct worker consultation. More widely, there is the case I have argued previously for the Government to make it its business to promore by legislation a system of industrial democracy.

Yes, of course it is harder to do so here with our different union structure, our lack of an industrial law which protects employer as well as employee, our much larger public sector, than it was in Germany. But this is no reason for not making the attempt—and I hope to discuss ways and meens in a future article.

This Budget may mark the point at which the Government can reasonably begin to turn policy round with sufficient economic justification. But when it re-states its financial strategy, it should try to generate some rewideas (reliance on talking to the CBI and the TUC is not enough) for harnessing the cooperation of the workers instead of ignoring the reality of their power except when ministers have to flee before it.

on the nuclear tightrone

Dr Walter Marshall achieved his life's ambition 13 years ago when he was made director of the United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority's research establishment at Harwell.

It was a job he loved; the pinnacle of a successful career which had begun with a first in mathemetical physics from Birmingham University and taken him rapidly through the ierarchy of huclear science. With some misgivings he vas

tempted into the part-time post of chief scientist at the Depart-ment of Energy under Mr Eric Varley, the new secretary of state, but disagreements with Mr. Varley's successor, Mr. Anthony Wedgwood Benn, led to a disillusioned return to the authority as deputy chairman. It seemed his brush with government had been a wrong decision. He now had no precisa role and his chances of succeeding Sir John Hill, as chairman, seemed slim.

The Conservatives return to power brought Dr Marshall back into favour. His belief that Britain should build the American designed pressurized water can designed pressurized water reactor (PWR), which, describe the accident at Three Mile Island, has proved both cheap and relatively reliable, found a sympathetic hearing, and long before Sir John was due to retire, he was told he had the job

He started this week, inheriting an authority with a suspect track record and uncertain

It is easy to be hard on the atomic energy authority. It grew out of the nuclear weapons programme and achieved early and dramatic success by opening on time the world's first commercial scale civil atomic energy generating plant at Calder Hall in Cumberland in 1956. Britain was on a route of gas 'cooled reactors. The Americans, who because of their worldwide marketing power and the size of their bome market were bound to have the most important influence on standard

reactor design, were to choose light water reactors The UKAEA intended to improve the earlier Calder Hall type designs with an Advanced Gas. Cooled Reactor (AGR) which was seen as a sterlyingstone to the helium-cooled Kigh Temperature Reactor, which was one of several possible high future technology systems In 1964, on the advice of the

authority, the Government chose the AGR, then only a chose the AGR, then only a prototype, in preference to the light water designs, for the next stage of the British nuclear programme. The AGR proved far more difficult to scule up to commercial application than had been expected.

"In 1972 the Conservative Government set up the Nuclear Power Advisory Board, which was intended to bring together all interested parties, to review which reactor should be chosen.

which reactor should be chosen.
The UKAEA had by then

developed a prototype Steam Generating Heavy Water Re-actor (SGHWR) and a High Temperature Reactor. In 1974 Sir John Rill, the then chairman, told the parliamentary select committee on science and technology that the authority was in a position to produce a design for either of these construction to start the fol-

lowing year.
Mr Varley chose the SGHWR Mr Variey chose the SGHV/R only to find the authority recommending it to be abandoned two years later. Mr Wedgwood Bean was forced back on the AGR with the intention, reaffirmed by the new Conservative administration. new Conservative administra-tion, to order an American designed PWR providing its safety could be proved for British conditions and it passed

a public inquiry.

Critics of the UKAEA complain that it has consistently been too interested in the technology and too little involved. in the commercial side of designs. Its hackground weaponry has tended to lead to a secretive style of working exacerbated by the highly technical, and to the layman, unintelligible language in which its findings are reported and on which its recommendations are

The UKAEA's mistakes have not been to develop too meny machines, but to underestimate the challenge of converting prototypes into commercial Dr Marshall's method both director of Harwell and as checked and as checked and as checked at the Department Energy has been to injection much hard commercialism and the commer much hard commercialism research as possible. Under leadership Harwell branch out into contract research industry and he set up a streview system for research i renewable energy sources at

Department. The authority, he belies should, so far as possible. as a contractor to its ultim customer, the Department Energy, which must be in position to make a real cho on the work it wants pursu That means producing pan which civil servants and p ticians can understand so ti they can make judgments on t opportunities which the au ority believes its research c

That in itself will not preve wrong recommendations be made in the future, nor does define what the future role the authority should be.



Dr Walter Marshall: making things happen.

As the select committee of energy said in its report on the Government's nuclear programme last week, the PWR i not a UKAEA design and most the design work on the AGR has now passed to the commercial companies concerned.

Dr Marshall saw that its function was to support the AGI programme and do research primarily on salety, to launch

Its role as a designer of pre sent generation systems, seems to be over. It will gain valuable knowledge from the severe tests
it is carrying out on its protetype AGR at Windscale which
it is decommissioning this year. and these could lead to sugges-

tions for modifications.

But its main work must be to examine future energy technologies. Dr Marshall believes its work will remain predominantly nuclear. It is collaborating in the European fusion research project sited at Culham, but its main project is to develop a uranium saving

fust reactor.
This research has reached the development would be to go fo a commercial demonstration The French have project. already taken that step. Buy the cost is astronomical

The cost could be defraye by integrational collaboration and it is inposed that a decision on who Britain's parmers an gring to be should be made by the Government this year After that the PWR inquir. nceds to be completed before could take place, and the means 1984 at the earliest

Much more work can ba extent, the authority has come through one stage in its develor; a ment without having the ge abcad for the next. Too early: a start of the CURR and a start of the current and a start start of the CFBR would only compound the complaints ove a lack of commerciality which can be aimed at the authorit . over the past. But Dr Marshal is a man who makes thing

Pie enthuriasm has infur eted some, but it encouraged those who work for him there was one job which ma better for him than director of Harwell, it must be the on has now. His experience chief scientist must have taug him shout the ways of White hall. His push may be mor subtle than it once was.

Nicholas Hirs

You can tell a good joke

I had a brief and curious encounter the other day with a customer. As well as my car-toon activities, I run a small gallery devoted to selling car-toon originals and graphics, and occasionally (in spite of the recession) we have customers. This particular customer, a charming, intelligent lady with a fine figure of a cheque book behind her, bought one of my cartoons. After expressing de-light that I was the creator of this work of art, she asked:
"Did you do the capilon as

I was then torn between a desire to escort her to the door and a need to keep the cash flow flowing. "Why do you flow flowing. "Why do you ask?" "Oh", she said, "I thought you might have stolen

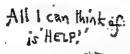
I cite this bizarre exchange as a reason for writing this short piece. I feel I should stand up and try to explain what I do for a living. I do not, for example, simply

stay in bed all morning merely to rise at three in the afternoon, beth, eat and steal a few lokes. The Times likes to see my gloomy face at some point in the day and my other clients need to have their faces washed and brightened by my presence in their lives. Here is how I

work. I get up about 8.30 amluctantly. I eat a small break-fast and shave a small portion of my face. I dress and drive to my studio. I look at the clutter of years of old drawings and magazines, and shudder. Must tidy all this tomorrow, I say to myself. I sharped pen-cils, read my mail, put on some music, then go out for a second

During the day I grapple with bits of advertising work. illustrate articles and think of jokes. At the end of the afternoon on three days of the week, I go to The Times. I consult the oracles about the choice of subject. There is nothing funny happening in the world. I try to find a fresh approach to same old problems. I read the papers. I listen to the radio. I even talk to journalists. I hope to find a joke lurking somewhere among the clutter

Jokes are about making unexpected connexions. They join up the invisible does between two subjects. If they work, people laugh and if they don't, pennie scem to get annoyed. A dull article might still be infor-





mative, but an unfunny joke is irritating. toonist. It happened to me over the years, in the same way that one acquires a mortgage and

grey hairs. A professional cartoonist has to perform to order. You can have flu, the plague and dan-druff in your soul, but the newspaper must go to press and editors are very reluctant to print a blank space on their

And not only must you pro duce you must produce some-thing that makes other people laugh. After all these years, I still don't understand this strange mechanism. It is a bit like doing a crossword, where you know there must be a solu-tion and all it needs is sweat and tearing up pieces of paper.
And every once in a while, a good joke will pop into one's head like a golden bonus, and you can recognize it immediately as funny and even better, true. I tend to prefer jokes which tell you something about

My jokes reflect my attitudes to life, which is why I count steal them from anyone else. do, not put on a cynical, pessi mistic hat when considering the day's news and then go bome to become a normal jolly person. I am a 'cynical pessimist who happens to be able to make and draw Jokes. The gloom feeds my work, and I imagine that it is simply my good luck that this slant on life matches the mood of Britain today. In fact, events nowadays outstrip my wildest glooms. Who could have ever imagined Great Britain having over two and a half million unemployed? What pessimist could invent such

wholesale despair?
The problem for a cartoonist today is that he must read the news and still be able to laugh. Meanwhile I will go and have another cup of tea so as to delay for another ten minutes the agony of trying to be funny. If you know of a good joke that I can steal, please send it to me in a plain brown envelope, c/o
The Times, Thank you.

Mel Calman

Ludwig, what more can I say?

Bernard Levin

"Why", said somebody to me the other day, " are you always going on about Mozart? Why do you never write about Beethoven any more?" About to bridle, I peered more closely, and recognized a closely, and recognized a notorious Mozart-lover; the question was a genuine one. Whereat I felt obliged to consider it; more, to do as he bada me-

First, however, I ought to answer the question as asked I do indeed write rarely about Beethoven, but it is not, and cannot be, because I write often about Mozart; in that house there are many mansions, and if it were not so, someone would have told us. But does the hold of Beethoven weaken as the years go by? In the case of Muller, it does: I have reported here on rude to Beethoven (he will no longer go to hear the Ninth, and indeed says that the Eroica is the only one of the symphonies for which his feeling remains unchanged), and even wondered aloud whether I do not to some extent partake of the same heresy. On further reflection, however, I have come to the conclusion that I do not; I write little about Beethoven because I feel innothing much more I can say on the subject. I go on exploring Mozart because the journey into that infinite interior is the journey into everything, and although obviously the same is true of Beerhoven, it is true in a different way. Beethoven offers certainty, qualified by doubts yet not displaced by them, indeed ultimately strengthened. The end of the Fifth Symphony passage in Howard's End puts this better than I could (or anybody else, for that marter):

And the goblins—they had not really been there at all? They were only the phantoms of cowardice and unbelief? One healthy human impulse would dispel them?

Men like the Wilcoxes, or President Roosevelt, would came here this morning to a street all, for his unassailable position as the most popular of all composers) that one kind of certainty appears to be another. That is worth saying, but it has been said, and does not lend itself to saying repeatedly.

Whereas in Mozart...But I came here this morning to Men like the Wilcoxes, or Whereas this morning to President Roosevelt, would came here this morning to

Only of Beethoven can we say, in this absolutely crucial sense, 'Others' abide our question, thou art free" emptiness! Even the flaming

ramparts of the world might Beethoven chose to make all right in the end. He built the ramparts up. He blew with his mouth for the goblins were stattered. He brought back the gusts of splendour, the heroism, the youth, the magnificence of life and of death, and, amid the vast roarings of a super-human joy, he led his Pifrh Symphony to its checiusion. But the goblins were there. They could return. He had

supreme optimism and faith in man is easily mistaken, at any. rate in the symphonies (even Muller has no reservations about the quartets), for the limited human optimism of men like the Wilcoxes, or President Roosevelt". In fact, it is far wider and deeper, and that "healthy human impolse", though real and necessary, is only a speck of dust floating in the vast cosmos of Beethoven's under-

standing. That is obvious in Bach; but the "vast roarings of a superhuman joy" Beethoven are so overwhelming (they account, after all, for

say yes. Beethoven knew bettcr. The goblins really had
been there. They might
recure—and they did. It was
as if the splendour of life
might boil over and waste to
steam and froth. In its dissolution one heard the terrible,
off many to whom the point
has necurred, but I have love ominous note, and a goblin, has occurred; but I have long with increased malignity, felt that Occam's Razor can cut walked quietly over the universe from end to end. Panic with it once too often, so here and emptiness! Panic and goes: hypotheses fingo.

Many artists have died too young. In music, three, per-haps four, have done so after demonstrating that they are among the most profound explorers of the spirit ever to with his mouth for the flir briefly through mortality, second time, and again the With the fourth—Purcell—I goblins were stattered. He am too little acquainted to speak with any confidence; the other three are, of course, Mozart, who died at 36, Schubert, who died at 32, and Beethoven, who died at 57. And there is a profoundly important difference between the first two and the third, which has nothing to do with the fact that Beethoven lived for more than two decades longer than why one can trust Beethoven than two decades longer th gone on to the end in the full imagination, you will probably creative flow of his genius: It find that your hair will never is possible to say, without making ourselves ridiculous, that know what his 73rd symwe know what his 73rd s phony would sound like. cannot think of the music it fruitless, as a subject for would have been made of, or the way in which he would have presented it; if we could, we would be Mozart ourselves, an unlikely supposition. But we can be fairly sure that it would arouse in us feelings similar to those aroused by the 41 symphonies we know about Those feelings would no doubt

be more intense, perhaps atmost pubearably so; but they would not be qualitatively different from the ones with which we are already familiar. The same is true of Schubert. If he had written another 600 songs (and if he had I may say, Dietrich Fischer-Diekau and Gerald Moore would certainly have recorded the lot) there is no likelihood that

the fecundity of his genius would have been any less great at the end then it was when he actually stopped; but again, our hearts would be torn or mended (or, of course and most probably, both at once) in the same way as they are now, with the songs we already

But with Beethoven we realize, if we stop and think for a moment, that we have no idea at all of what his 14th symphoby would sound like, or his El Times Newspapers Limited, 1981

49th piano sonata, or—perhaps above all—his 27th string quartet. If you doubt that, listen to the Ninth Symphony, the Hammerklavier Sonata, the C sharp minor quartet; listen to them with new ears, if you can, leaving their familiarity behind, so that they strike you as they must have strick their first listeners, who knew where they were with Beethoven, knowing as they did the Pastoral Symphony, the Moonlight Sonata and the Rasoumovsky Quartets. If you can really manage that exercise, you will manage that exercise, you will find your hair standing on end, so far as Beethoven moved from the point at which he was last observed. And if, before your hair has resumed to usual position you extrange. its usual position, you extrapoa dozen years on, when his piano music would have been to the Hammerklavier as the Hammetklavier is to the Pathe-tique, his latest quartet to the Grosse Fuge as the Grosse Fuge to the Op 18 set, his 14th Symphony to the Ninth as the Ninth to the Second-if you can make that effort of the

A pointless game to be sure; the might have beens of exploration, as those of politics or war. And yet in the case of.
Reethoven—and of him Beethoven—and of him alone—they are irresistible. Bach, Wagner, Bruckner. Hayda: their work was done when they died. Mozart and Schubert had hundreds of masterpieces still to give the world, but we can, and should, be thankful for those we have, and need not spend time on vain regrets that we do not have even more. Only of Beethoven can we say, in this absolutely crucial sense, "Others abide our question, thou art free". For Beethoven, and none but he, would, had he lived, have remade music again, and perhaps in a fashion that would have taken music so far into the future that we would not have caught up with

I have read, or possibly dreamed, that Beethoven once contemplated writing a King Lear opera. Just stop for a moment and imagine the March of the Knights, the Curse on Goneril and Regan, the Storm, the music for "O you are men of stone". You will, I think, need to buy a very tall hat.

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The party's just beginning

I hear that the transmutation of the Council for Social Demo-cracy into a pukka political party of substance is only a matter of weeks away, and the show could be on the road about a month after the last of the recruits to the ranks of the fledgling party of the centre has formally severed his existing

The Limehouse lefties, or Tories, or traitors, or true Brits, depending on your point of view, led by Messrs Jeakins, Rodgers and Owen, recently moved into temporary headquarters in a soon-to-be-demolished building in Victoria, and have been greatly encouraged tions are flowing in, the constiby the offers of help-and more mportantly, cash—which have been pouring in.

For those who regard the emergence of a British political centre as at best a nine-day wonder, I have to report that only the most deserving cases have been laid for financing the ance. new movement.

The party will eschew the as does the name of the new

now decidedly lean bank balances of big business, the tradi-tional source of Tory funds, nor will it expect much from the coffers of the trade union movement. While any contribution from either source is unlikely to be returned, the Social Democrats are planning to rely heavily for their cash flow on annual subscriptions from mem-

A final decision has not yet been taken on the size of the annual subscription, but figures of between £5 and £10 a nead are circulating. With an empecbers by the spring, rising to 250,000 a year later, the centrists would enjoy a substantial cash flow from a £10 membership fee, and could even survive comfortably on a fiver.

Once the party has been established, and the subscripruency parties which will undoubtedly mushroom around the country will be expected to be largely self-financing. Contributions from headquarters will be kept to a minimum, with. qualifying for central assist-

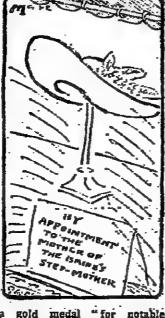
Eut all that lies in the future,

will be solicited. (Anyone with a brilliant name can send it to me and I will give it an airing.) Discussions in Limebouse and Victoria have so far proved inconclusive; some favour the Social Democratic Party, others wish to remain as the Council for Social Democracy, while still others have offered the New Labour Party. Meanwhile, some of the

defecting Labour MPs have been experiencing some difficulty in making their intended switch of allegiance to the new council. In more than one case, I understand, members of management comittees of constituency Labour parties have found it "inconvenient" to hold meetings to hear the MP's regulation valedictory message, and as a result are delaying

Ferrous medal

Ian MacGregor, the American Scot brought in by the Government at enormous expense to tackle the apparently impos-sible task of saving the British Steel Corporation from total bankruptcy and collapse, flew to Chicago yesterday to collect Alexander Graham Bell Orville single-minded man with precise



a gold medal "for notable scientific and industrial achieve-

ment".
Previous winners of the John Fritz Medal, given by a group of five American engineering explain the finer points of the societies, have included such notable fathers of invention as he helped draft. He is a small,

larly since 1902. Few would consider Mac-Gregor's plan ruthlessly to strip British Steel of all but

its few profitable components. a plan which is by no means certain to succeed, as a candi-date for a prize unless it was an Oscar for talking the rigidly monetarist ideologue Sir Keith Joseph into parting with so much cash for what is not so much a lame duck as an endangered species.

I gather, however, that the award refers to MacGregor's previous incarnation as an outstanding figure in the Ameri-can mining industry.

Chile reception

The other day Eldon Griffiths, Tory MP for Bury St Edmunds, entertained the Chilean ambassador and Sedor Jaimo Guzman, an adviser to General Pinochet, to tea at the House of Com

Guzman, a lawyer, academic and sometime excommunicate, was using the opportunity to explain the finer points of the new Chilean constitution which

Wright, Edison and Marconi. bird-like mannerisms, and he The award has been made regu- was sedulously demonstrating was sedulously demonstrating why Chile could not allow political rights to those who advocated violence or class struggle, and how the new constitution would restore stability and democracy, making Chile just like Britain.

At this moment the tea party was joined by Julian Amery, the Member for Brighton who, adopting his most Churchillian manner, declared that Britain had no democracy, and never

The bewildered Guzman was treated to a lecture on parlia-ment. "the voice of the people", and ministers, who were "simply the liaison officers between parliament and the Queen, the armed forces and the civil service, who really run the country". Amery went on: "A good minister can change policy 10 per cent, most ministers one per cent, some not at all."

The architect of Chile's future looked like a little boy who had just had his pile of bricks kicked over. "It would be difficult to have that in Chile,"

"Chile's problems are diffi-cult for us to understand,"

soothed Griffiths. Not half as allow children and, horror of difficult as Britain's problems horrors, believes that sexual, to a Chilean segregated bars should b

Whine bars An architect who has spent

almost all his working life in the employ of one of the country's biggest brewing groups is not the sort of man you might expect to find defending the traditional British drinking ambience. Eut Ben Davis, whose book The Traditional English Pub is published today, has not allowed his years with Allied Dreweries to diminish his conviction that attempts to transform the old-fashioned pub into a cross between a motorway café and an amusement arcade are misguided and destructive.

The book is packed with much good sense. Davis comes across as an arch-conservative. who deplores not only plastic table tops and "the infestation of Juke-boxes, one-armed ban-dits, pin tables and amusement machines which now buzz, click, bleep, chatter and cater-waul in almost every bar of the land, but also proposals to alter or extend the present selves. licensing hours. Not only that, he objects to pubs

allowed to continue.

The Architectural Pres-which is responsible for thi handsomely produced volume, has decided to mark its publication with a competition fo. ideas on what the ideal pushould be like in the 1980.
The prizes consist of various quantities of wine, which is not inappropriate in the light of Davis's comment that man wire bars, with their woode furniture, linoleum and said dust floors, and subdued deco nowedays look more like pul than the real thing.

Today's joke was flown fresh from Warsaw last nigh There are two possible ways soive the Polish crisis: the t mal and the miraculous. The normal way would be for the Archangel Gabriel and four tendent archangels to descen from Heaven in a mighty which wind and dispel the nation troubles in a flash of lightnin The mireculous way would for the Poles to solve it the

Alan Hamilto



A review to mark the centenary of the Society of Chemical Industry

Chemicals continue to play an ever more important role in our everyday lives—in the food we eat and the clothes we wear, in the drugs we take and the furnishings we use to decorate our homes.

The range of products—Spending on plant in the first dhesives, fertilizers, deternants, vaccines, insecticides, ents, vaccines, insecticides, plastic goods—made entitles, plastic goods—made ythe industry from natural United Kingdom spending on ubstances like oil, gas, coal, alt, sulphur and vegetable alternative, the industry employs of it is not surprising that sive, the industry employs the micreasing industry has Through the 1970s, the number of the United States in the United States. It is not surprising that sive, the industry employs the micreasing industry has Through the 1970s, the number of the United States in the United States. It is not surprising that sive, the industry employs the mumber of the United States in the United States. It is not surprising that sive, the industry employs the overseas.

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hemicals industry has Through the 1970s, the num-arned a deserved reputation ber remained about constant, or innovation and rapid although it is an indication

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yeste f more than 15 per cent a successful. In 1979, it exported goods worth In part, this was due to £1,500m more than those im-

eneral economic growth ported, thus accounting for hich in turn stimulated de almost all the trade surplus and from industry and earned by the manufacturing for chemicals, sector, Last year, the surplus grew to a record £2,000m and the industry qually, it was due to the bility of chemicals, fre-uently as new formulations,) win new markets by subituring for traditional taterials like glass, steel, ood and china. A recent re-There are more than 2,500 chemical companies in the United Kingdom, although more than 50 per cent of ort by Shell suggests that pore markets remain to be

on and that fears that the remicals industry may have ached maturity are pre-In the United Kingdom, a

enjoyed a surplus with its Community partners for the

sales are accounted for by

fewer than a dozen large, multi-national groups.

They include Imperial Chemical Industries (ICI),

ICI the past has not been one of wholly uninterrupted success. The dislocation of all supplies and the subsequent steep price rises from 1973 onwards sent shock waves through an industry based largely on oil and gas. Nevertbeless, the industry can regard the past with satisfaction.

The future, however, is being viewed with trepida-tion. Of the present, it can be said only that it must be endured. By any standards, 1980 was a terrible year, during which nearly all of the large oil companies, both in the United Kingdom and overseas, slipped into the

red.
The difficulties first appeared about March when business suddenly dropped. As one ICI executive later described it: "We all fell over the cliff". As Western Europe slid into recession, companies experienced falls in demand of as

be overseas, pected to be about 1220m. Even for companies like against £550m, last year. BP chemicals admitted operating losses in the United Kingdom for the nine months to September of £84m.

Even the record trading surplus was described as a itter, sugar-coated pill " by Mr Martin Trowbridge, director general of the Chemical Industries Association. He explained that much of the overseas business had been bought at minimal or no

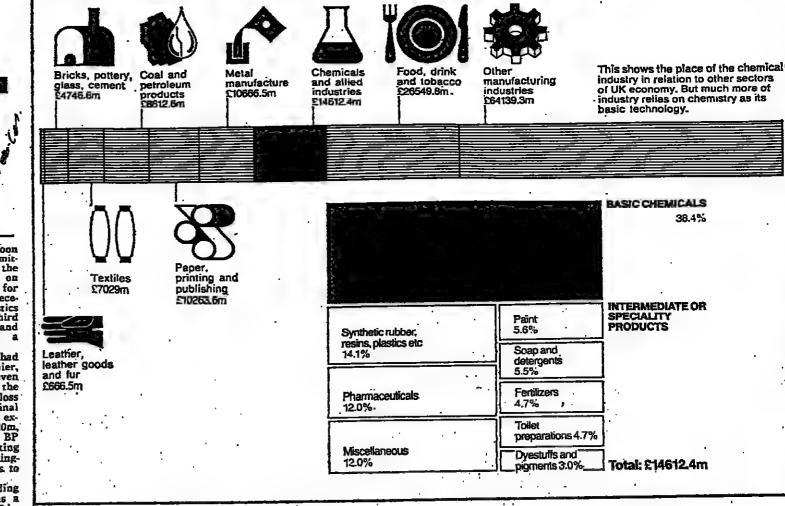
Few companies escaped having to slim down their operations. Not only was capacity (in some cases only capacity (HI some cases only 60 per cent used) being under-used because of falling demand, but some businesses were suffering from long-term, structural changes in the supply-demand equation the supply-demand equation. ICI Fibres shed almost 4,000 jobs. BP Chemicals made more than 1,000 redundant in South Wales and gave a warning that a further "sub-stantial" loss of jobs would be necessary. Shell told of

ggard by European Comunity standards of growth, e chemicals industry has en a star performer, outsigned to one over the 1970s. 1979, its output was worth 6,770m. The 1980 figure ill be higher, although outsigned it itself will be found to two declined. The industry is a massive settle find the find of the findustry is a massive settle find the findustry is a massive settle findustry. All are part of an industry most in the United Kingdom.

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crucial. For every 1 cent improvement in the States. The justification for value of the pound, ICI lost fears over each of these is about 15m on sales and examined elsewhere in this gained about 12.5m on impreport.

Of more immediate comport costs, a Commons Select. port costs, a Commons Select Committee on trade was told. cern to British chemicals Committee on trade was told. makers is the apparent dest-

Some of these problems are probably likely to be of only short-term importance.
Although the Chemical Industry Association forecast
a 9 per cent decline in output in 1980 and a further
fall this year, most longerterm estimates are more
activities. The Shall report optimistic. The Shell report expected petrochemicals to grow at 4 per cent a year, outstripping industrial

ruction of their customer base. Chemical-user industries are among the foremost casualties 'In the present recession. More than 100 textile and clothing mills closed in Britain last year, Each of them was a customer for fibres or dyes sold by ICI or one of its rivals.

Similarly, car production opening for food, agricul-slumped, partly because of tural chemicals designed to imports. Again this means maximize crops have become

John Huxley thousands of years without the use of pesticides, do we

Is there enough control of pesticides?

With about 4,000 million chemical industry? human mouths constantly opening for food, agricul-tural chemicals designed to growth. Last summer industry experts meeting in Birmingham were encouraged to hear forecasts by Cambridge Econometrics of 3.6 per cent between now and on 1990.

In Nevertheless, British products of concern about longer-term or problems which could inhibit growth when economies climb out of recession. Some of these problems are essentially external; they focus on the likely diverse to their product outside the on the likely diverse to their product outside the on the likely diverse to their product outside the on the likely diverse to the past 20 or so that evidence of their side effects have because of the failure to be selling and making more of these problems are essentially external; they focus on the likely diverse to the past 20 or so that evidence of their side effects have because of the failure to be selling and making more of their product outside the on the likely diverse to harmonize regulations maximize crops have become Industries Association, beas much a part of man's diet lieves that EEC attempts to harmonize regulations threaten to bury the industry under a mountain of paper. We past 20 or so that evidence of their side effects has effects has effects has a compared about f54 of its problems which could inhibit the products.

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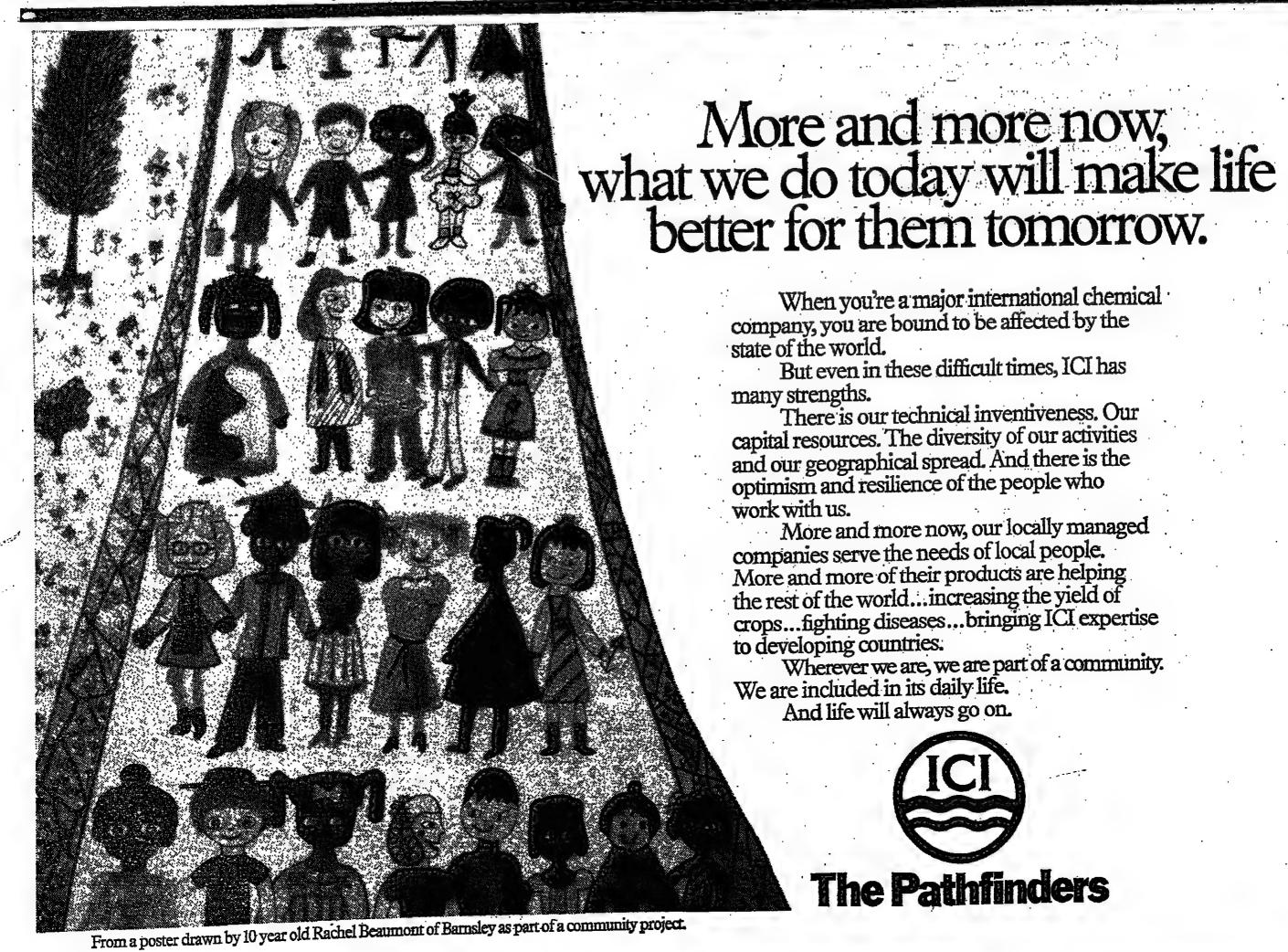
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If agriculture survived for mentalists have become become Mr Burke said:

Mr Martin Trowbridge, length of time there may be director general of the nothing we can do to solve United Kingdom's Chemical it. We may be leaving an inheritance for the control of the inheritance for our children that will be totally destruc-tive. We have practically no idea of the eco-toxicological effects of the chemicals we

cals industry do not go far enough. It is an enormous industry which devotes the minutest fraction of its consequences of its activities.

I have no sympathy with flected in the enormous believes that with the best out of existence. Controls growth of regulatory control. of intentions some environ- may be crude but governments legislate only when



Decisions on how to use the Shell and Esso. They want north The Government is plies, largely because of the speak strongly to the Govrises for industrial conoil and gas riches of the hGLs piped south from confident that they will lay flight from oil to gas by ernment on this point."

North Sea will have a crucial landfall at St Fergus, north the foundation for petrodearing on the development of Aberdeen, to feed ethy chemical development and ceded during the present and the energy supply in result of pressure exerted of the British chemical in lene crackers already built several hundred new jobs on recession. But it is likely-to dustries have been unable to dustry over the next-few at Grangemouth and Wilton the Cromarty Firth. reappear if and when the agree on comparative figor under construction at On the subject of energy industry begins to grow uses. The facts and policy industry, having virtually initiated the debate and in-

First, offshore resources present a unique opportunity to create a new phase in plant which would use materials made available by the gas-gathering pipeline. Second, the use of oil and gas is at the heart of the continuing debate over what industry leaders see as Britain's "energy paradox". This is the view—which is contested—that despite its considerable offshore wealth, industry in the United Kingdom pays significantly more for the energy it uses than do its principal European competitors.

The Government accepts much of what the chemical in interest in using ethane industry has to say on the innew crackers.

in new crackers. industry has to say on the first of these two points, and

The cost of the scheme, which envisages a line to the Statiford field in the north and the Fulmar field in the south, has already climbed from an estimated £1,100m to £2,000m, making it the

largest single investment in Britain during the 1980s. What interests the chemicals industry is who will come arbiter of the various obtain the natural gas proposals. The companies liquids (NGLs) to be made have been told to start dispersions.

The pay-off in terms of first of these two points, and last year accepted in principles and contracts of cole plans for a pipeline orders-starved industry is system in the North Sea not certain. Dow and Highwhich would gather and claim to offer most, if continued from previous page Vegas Dr Robertson said try and other countries who and burying it under a mountary to a landfall in the only because their schemes north-east of Scotland gas represent new investment. However, the establishment disparagingly flared on production plate flared on production plate is being wastefully flared on production plate.

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> estimates by CEFIC, the European chemicals federation, which suggest that ethylene capacity in Western Europe in 1984 will total

investment in a new cracker than 18 months ago. This is by other energy-intensive and downstream develop that, broadly speaking, industries but by the Conment at Nigg, on the energy prices paid by indus-federation of British Industromarty Firth, and High-try in the United Kingdom try. The "paradox," is, excland Hydrocarbons. The lat- are in line with those paid plained by Mr David Crouch, ter, with a projected invest- elsewhere. Moreover, minis-

Conservative MP for Canter-

Mossmorran, in Fife. pricing, the Government again. considerations of the matter.

The newcomers are Dow shifted only slightly from The campaign on prices are still being raised over, not least by an energy rask Chemical, which plans £400m the position it took more has been taken up not merely force set up through the not least by an energy task force, set up through the National Economic Development Office, and by a Com-

> Most parties to the debate accept that such differentials as existed have probably narrowed in recent months. The Government is adamant in its determination not to reexamining the case for introducing new types of "interruptible supply" contracts. There is evidence that

mons select committee.

18 a tonne duty paid on heavy fuel oils. ICI is under flatiousry race in British stood to be one of a number agriculture since the mid-of leading companies that 1970s. In the past six years have urged this move on the food prices have risen more shift ground on energy Government in recent weeks. slowly than the cost of pricing, although it has the company contends farming and farmers have taken some small initiatives, that the duty is partly complained regularly about British Gas, for example, is responsible for the differ the extra costs demanded of the extra costs demanded of Government in recent weeks. ence in energy costs between them by the multinational British and overseas pro-ducers of chemicals.

John Huxley

the use of pesticides has conferred and continues to

liquids (NGLs) to be made available. These are valued as a raw material for petro-chemicals. British Gas with the British National Oil Corporation, which has been fierce, and often acrimonious competition of ethane (a much-prized alternative feedstock to naptha in the tit be known that all options were still on, and production of ethylene), propane, butane and the other higher condensates.

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detergent properties of soap. But Crosfield were pioneers and since the 1870s a whole range of products has emerged from their laboratories. Metasilicates,

industrial detergents and synthetic silicas all with a role to play as industries

Later came petroleum cracking catalysts: then textile chemicals and concrete additives—a continuous process of evolution. Today, Crosfield have created a

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flared on production plat forms. Natural gas worth up to £380m a year is being say that the demand and supply of ethylene is such that the pipeline system can be completed within five years, despite delays in formation of a pipeline company, which the Gas are supplyed to £380m and the company, which the Gas are supplyed to £380m and year is being say that the demand and supply of ethylene is such that the pipeline system can be completed to close existing plants, making large numbers of delays in formation of a pipeline company, which the Government insists will have a high proportion of private a high proportion of private equity.

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Dr Robertson said "I think we can state without fear of contradiction, that the use of pesticides has the potential effect of pesticides on the consumer country will be accepted in another, even when a valid scientific case can be made for the applicability of the advanced than that of country in question.", Dr Robertson said.

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Environmental regulations the case for the international Europe in 1984 will total 17,600,000 tonnes. Consumption will be only 13,900,000 tonnes. Consumption will be only 13,900,000 tonnes.

The Government is mindful of these factors, although it is trying hard not to belicome arbiter of the various proposals. The companies have been told to start distributed at a rate which can match population growth.

Treduct a relative scarcity of harmonization of regulations the case for the international tender of the various to see how without them and the other contributors to see how without them and the other contributors to see how without them and the other contributors to see how without practice without consultation with industry. This has would go a long way to seriously increased the difference reducing the onerous load different countries. For harmonization itself is not purely bureaugratic reasons sufficient. Dr. Robertson made from the ease and they are and guidelines for the registrian with industry. This has would go a long way to seriously increased the differences between guidelines in placed on industry. But different countries. For harmonization itself is not product to see how without consultation with industry. This has would go a long way to ences between guidelines for the registrian with industry. This has would go a long way to different countries. For harmonization itself is not product to see how without consultation with industry. This has would go a long or long way to ences between guidelines for the registrian with industry. This has would go a long or long way to ences between guidelines for the registrian with industry. This has would go a long or long way to ences between guidelines for the registrian without consultation with industry. This has would go a long or long accepted, and they are and guidelines for the registrian without consultation with industry. This has would go a long or long the other countries without consultation with industry. This has constant the case for the registrian without consultation of regulations.

for making judgments.

"We must be careful with these well-meaning Euro-crais that in their enthu-siasm for harmonization they do not go around adding up all the most onerous requirements from each different country in the Community, and all the ones they can think of outside, and just take the highest common factor of everything. either, if you have no ability to enforce them.

Mr Ray Grainger, industry affairs director of the Chemical Industries Association, said: There is a danger that a proper concern for wellbeing will become a neurosis and that is what we have to be sure we do not institutionalize. We must not believe that everything is going to turn us into little green blobs."

Michael Horsnell

Trade

Race for markets

with this leading group, in what has become a highly competitive international race is creditable. After all consistently poor growth rates in the United Kingdom

subjected to normal, West-ern financial disciplines;

to be an unfair trading ad-

vantage: cheap feedstocks, because of the Washington

administration's policy of

holding prices below world

American imports is difficult

to assess. There are already

economy gains momentum

and begins to absorb more

sales. The Reagan adminis-

ration has moved to lift con-

trols on oil, but gas prices will not be decontrolled

growth rates of the 1960s and 1970s have slowed al-most to a standstill, leaders of industry have taken the opportunity to cast a backward glance at potential challengers. These may be expected to attack not only he domestic markets of Suropean producers, includthe United Kingdom's, but also those of other marcets into which they sell. For more than a decade hree main sources have osed a long-term threat to established producers. These are the Middle East countries, who are expected to move downstream from their oil interests eventually; the state-trading nations of East chemical producers. Europe, who are feared on account of their ability to make and sell chemicals un-

and, more remotely, emerg-ing Third World producers. It was ironic, then, that during 1979 and to a greater extent last year, it was. American producers who In recent months, Saudi Arabia, appears to have scaled down its ambitions to realistic levels. So, despite their apprehension over the gressive and successful campaign to sell their goods in. unpredictability of events in the Middle East, most Euro-Europe. They did so from a of considerable pean producers are willing strength. In terms of most to accept that chemicals from the area, could be European currencies, the dollar was weak, and the Americans also enjoyed what European producers allege

mission over changes to the generalized system of pre-ferences for developing countries last October dis-closed, too, that European producers were becoming nervous about chemical from these sources. The Chemical Industries Associasigns that volumes are tion at the time called for dropping and will continue more than 100 products to to do so as the American be placed on a "sensitive"

It is difficult for the industry to work out a consistent strategy to meet the various threats, real and imagined. Broadly, however, under present plans until it is clear that producers 1985. It seems likely, then, must procressively abandon that European producers, cheap, bulk commodities and with the British in the lead concentrate on those "speciand the firmly free trade alities", which incorporate minded West Germans in the advanced technology and minded West Germans in the advanced techno rear, will try to press the high added value. Americans for voluntary

Britain has the fourth Meanwhile the threats largest chemicals industry in from elsewhere have rethe world, only the United ceded, at least for the time States, West Germany and Japan having a larger output.

Its ability to keep pace Western technology is paid for with low-cost chemicals. for with low-cost chemicals

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-are still regarded with
grave suspicion. Not only
do they create long-term
competitors, but they can
lead to delicately balanced
markets being flooded with

markets being flooded with the Soviet Union last November, which is expected to boost sales from the United Kingdom by as much as £30m a year.

Earlier in 1980 the group conducted an internal study which concluded that the fear of East European products and been exaggerated. Back in 1978, Ict may be well enough the west would bawe a deficit in chemical, with the East of £700m by 1985. Instead, it looks more likely that the West will enjoy a surplus of about £400m—an estimate broadly supported by a similar study by CEFIC, the European federation of chemical producers.

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A recent surpev by CEFIC, the fact of the following exists. Indeed, Mr Robert Malpas, press, published for the Sations. National Economic Develop in Sations. State to the seasons, managers contemplating new in vestment in plant in the westment in plant in the vestment in plant in the likely move to coal-fired boilers, followed later by a switch to coal-based feedstocks. It worms to coal-based feedstocks. It bessed feedstocks. It bessed feedstocks. It bessed feedstocks to be later by a switch to coal-based feedstocks. It bessed feedstocks. It bes

A recent survey by Chemical Age showed that chemical developments were being pruned in the Eastern block, and there appears to have been a similar rational. ization in the plans of Middle East countries.

tor, for example, were hopeful that savings of 15 per cent or more could be coming on to the market by the early 1990s. Talks within the Comful that savings of 15 per cent or more could be achieved over the next 10

> per cent. A variety of initiatives have been taken by the in-

> > exchangers and pumps has also been improved.

Farm costs rise faster than food prices

been the oldest chemical additives higher. down, partly as a used in British agriculture, doubled in Britain since the they are not held responsible result of pressure exerted Nitrogen potassium and Second World War, but the for poisoning it as well by industry.

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Their most important feat to seek other means of in so much on British farms ure from the point of view creasing them further, per that a reaction has set in. A simple and quick way are from the point of view A simple and quick way are from the posts of their haps by using more modern abolish or reduce the present price.

The post is their haps by using more modern plant varieties or by more fix a roune duty paid on Fertilizers have led the ineffective pest control.

> doses of fertilizer, timber and grass. Foresters are keen to shorten the long waiting time between planting seed-ling trees and harvesting the suppliers of agrochemicals. The use of chemical fertifirst marketable timber. Chemical fertilizers could lizers in Britain has risen throughout the twentieth century, with a sharp acceleration in consumption make a notable contribution to that if the cost could be justified.
> For years government advisers have urged farmers since the Second World War, The immense increases

in crop and livestock yields secured in the past 35 years would have been inconceivable without lavish use of There is a direct relationship between increases in fertilizer application and in crop yields. There is a less direct, but close link with direct, but close link with output of milk and meat as well, because the quantity helped to give the country and quality of those products depend on the quality of tory. No longer is the flowery animal feed. Grass, used meadow bounded by a thick fresh in grazing and as conhedge with a gnarled wooden gate set in the middle of it. served feed in the form of hay and silage, is the most

steady acceleration in the re- wire with empty plastic fer-ouired rate of increase in tilizer bags flung into quired rate of increase in tilizer bags flung into fertilizer use. In plain lan-ditches. guage, when yields have Fertilizers are less controbecome high, it takes large versial chemicals than pestiand costly applications of cides,

industry, having virtually initiated the debate and informed it with a wealth of detailed, if contested, evidence, can expect to gain dence, can expect to gain used egricultural chemicals. There are now fertilizer used on each field plies, through repeated heavy doses of fertilizer which seep cipal means of raising his through the soil.

Chemical fertilizer which seep cipal means of raising his through the soil.

There are two important crops for which scientists believe that there is still great scope for realizing better yields through heavier forms.

to improve grass yields in order to increase the national supply of animal feeds. There are large areas of rough grazing land in the United Kingdom in which the grass is treated as if it is an extractable natural resource, like coal or salt.

The use of chemical fertilizers on arable form served feed in the form of gate set in the middle of it.
hay and silage, is the most Today's rural scene in the important farm animal feed arable counties is one of ingstuff in the country.

As yields rise, there is a fence posts and taut barbed

There is limited but growing interest in organic farm

ing, the practitioners of which avoid using chemicals in crop production. Although sometimes dubbed the "muck and mystery school" by conventional school" by conventional farmers, the organic move-ment is gradually widening its circle of adherents from academics and enthusiastic gardeners to the owners of

More farmers worry about their dependence on chemical fertilizers than did a few years ago. In fashion able parlance, they wonder if they are trapped on a "high-input / high-output spiral". Costs in agriculture are rising so much faster than food prices that farm. in order to raise the revenue needed to improve

paring British dairy farms with those in some other EEC countries has been pub hished in the past 18 months by the Milk Marketing Board for England and Wales, They show that some European farmers can make comfortable livings on smaller yields and lower inputs than their British counter-

> Hugh Clayton Agriculture

Growing hazard of deciding on investment

tion and completion of a which can be made as a The chemicals industry, plant.

result of improved catalysts, its contractors and its proBy the time the plant is engineering design of equip-cass plant suppliers have
ready to produce, the ment, instrumentation and spent considerable time and
demand for its output may monitoring, including the lysing why things go wrong,
either have evaporated or use of microprocessors, and how they may be put
been met from elsewhere. Above all, the CIA says, right. There are indications

ance. The scope for further erection. to de cost-cutting exists. Indeed, The BP Chemicals-ICI cost. Mr Robert Malpas, president of Halcon internation. Wilton, on Teesside, for al, said recently that process technology offered the silver lining among the industry's eathering clouds. dustry's gathering clouds. This year, he said, was primarily that in which managements would give top priority to energy manage-

savings targets set by pro-ducers. Leading companies in the petrochemicals sec-

During the 1970s, the industry's energy pattern changed markedly. Solid fuels consumption fell by 85

dustry, frequently in cooperation with the process plant suppliers. There has been a switch to less energy intensive processes; for example, the replacement of acetylene by ethylene as a basic feedstock. Engineering basic feedstock. Engineering of boilers, compressors, heat

achieved through large in-creases in plant size. The size of ammonia plants, for Modern plants incorporate a highly integrated energy generation and heat re-

In recent years, investment covery system. Overall, example, was completed decisions in the chemicals these enable producers to some two years behind schedindustry have become increasingly hazardous. Plansuppion by about half... its original cost estimate. The CIA says there is Other companies have similaring time in chemicals little prospect of a radical lar tales to tell, and most because the lead times are substitution of energy-intension protracted: several years sive processes for some can be built more cheaply may elapse between conceptually points to gains and quickly overseas. The chemicals industry, plant.

either have been met from elsewhere. The chances of this happening have increased since the mid-1970s because of growing uncertainty over the supply and price of energy and feedstocks, which count for a large proportion of the industry's costs.

Rollercoaster changes in the cost of, say, naphtha, a report, Technology Prosessing ward were outlined in a sites, while strides are being the cost of, say, naphtha, a report, Technology Prosessing work, for the cost of, say, naphtha, a report, Technology Prosessing work, for the tions.

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Society of Chemical Industry **Centenary Conference**

Problems, Opportunities, Resources. Cambridge, 31 March—3 April 1981

The chemical industry, a major contributor

of wealth to the industrialised nations, is facing unprecedented difficulties at present. As the main event in its centenary celebrations, the Society of Chemical Industry has planned a conference specifically at generating concerted action to solve the industry's problems.

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CHEMICAL INDUSTRY

The way ahead

A brave man points to opportunities

It takes a brave man to point to opportunities for the chemical industry when all the economic indicates signify a continuing recession. Yet Mr William Dunsion. Yet Mr William Dun-ran, president of the Society of Chemical Industry, has some clear ideas of the way shead, and, perhaps more importantly, of directions to be avoided.

Mr Duncan is also deputy chairman of ICI; thus his view of the development of the industry is derived from the broad history recorded by the files of the society, which relebrates its center. which celebrates its center-sty this year, and from ex-perience in an organization that is the pace-setter for a vast sector of industry. After graduating he became a plant engineer in 1950 at the huge ICI Billingham works (now the agricultural divi-sion) and in 1966 was appointed the first president of the ambitious ICI America operation. But what con-tribution has a body such as the Society of Chemical Industry to make to escaping from the present difficul-

society is a window on the evolution of the chemical industry. It is a forum for scientists, engineers, indus-trialists, economists, acade-mics and politicians, and they form a dynamic force. Hence the society is an agency for

there have been immense he maintains that the indus-changes in the raw materials try has grown up by con-and in the products of the fronting difficulties with and in the products of the fronting difficulties with chemical industry. The pro-innovation.

L. duction plants operate on a He is auxious to dis-

And now the industry is in the 1930s, when it was again at the threshold of a fed by recession. He believes fundamental change in its that this is not only politically analysis and the same and the same are saily disturbing but that it raw materials and its range ally disturbing but that it involved of products, with a move also suppresses innovation. is spreading the special produced feed-stock and to materials and commodities made according to the channels through which petroches

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chemical concerns have just emerged from a dreadful year and an uprurn in crading is not yet apparent. Two crucial difficulties afflict the industry in addition to the diminished volume of busithe society is an agency for ness caused by recession, change, and more than just a They are prices which are change, and more than just a They are prices which are group which records how too low to recover costs and the chemical technology and the the disruptive effect of industry originated and United States chemicals where they have reached. Over the past 100 years and feedstock. Nevertheless

vast scale and use processes courage the sort of economic undreams of by the founders. nationalism that was rampant

As Mr Duncan observes,

As Mr Duncan observes, the forecast of growth represents a doubling of capacity by the turn of the century. However that does not mean that existing processes, products and services should be doubled. He says: "Since the price of oil will increase inexorably, we shall have to produce more elegant solutions, using discoveries in the newer areas of science."

Whole.

Their story is one of success turning, first, gradually sour, then bitter; and alchough industry leaders are purposed a will confidently predict a happy ending.

According to estimates by the Dutch company Akzo, European producers of synthemeters there. the newer areas of science to make novel products, and

were converted to heavy fueloil and then to steam-reforming of naphtha, a commodity
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Chemical Industry.

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with aniline was the basis for the rusterials of the dyes, drugs and plastics industry. And that of Sir Harry McGowan, who was president at the society's jubilee anniversary, laid much of the foundation for the later development of nylon and polyester fibre. First, engineers joined the

chemists to turn discovery into technology; then micro-biologists and, more recently genetic engineers, became involved in an industry that is spreading into almost every part of the com-

Fibres

Success that turned sour then bitter

we shall have to develop an alternative source of carbon from which to produce feed-stock. It is a formidable challenge, but it is not the first time this has been done."

Mr Duncan was working at Billingham when the basic ammonia production lines were converted to heavy fuel-oil and then to steam-reforming of naphtha, a commodity.

cessful.

recession deepened. Over the past 12 months ICI, for

High interest rates and the

relative strength of sterling here also caused difficulties or British manufacturers.

price of £175 a ton. Fundamental changes of this nature, he points out, are charted by the names of previous presidents of the society, who form a virtual roll-call of the industry's founding fathers.

The work of the first president, Professor W. H. Perkin, with anyting was the basis for ment. Some 3,600 people will ment. Some 3,600 people will lose their jobs in the United Kingdom as a result of the

> Many of these will be lost example, has seen much of in areas of already high un-employment, such as Kilroot, in the textile and clothing employment, such as Alroot, Northern Ireland; Ardeer, Scotland; and Pontypool, in south Wales. ICI Fibres' total Western European workforce will be cut to about 8.500 compared with more than 20,000 as reecutly as But these have been of minor importance when set against the damage done to the industry by cheap imports from the United States.

Nowhere has the massive

contraction in the synthetic fibres industry been felt Although the Society of Chemical Industry is British munity.

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New routes to generate performent employed the channels through which in the forefront of Mr Duncan's mind. He produced in the 1950s and 1960s, built on important discoveries of the 1950s and 1940s, gave rise to developing and cites the 1950s and 1940s, gave rise to develope are already moulding the future.

He accepts that nobody can be cheerful about shorter term prospects.

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with the average rate of Europe's man-made fibre nylon, polyester filament British polyester filament quarters of this century, manufacturers illustrate and tyre cord. Alzo and market, against only 7 per when there were several bouts of intensive development.

At Manufacturers and tyre cord. Alzo and market, against only 7 per many of the difficulties and its competitors throughout cent at the start of 1979.

European producers, led whole.

chemicals industry as a painful decisions elsewhere.

Their story is one of success turning, first, gradually sour, then bitter; and although andustry leaders are putning a brave face on present problems, there are few who will confidently predict a happy ending.

According to estimates by the Dutch company Akzo, European producers of synthetic fibres loss more than festom last year, This figure may yet prove to have been conservative, for the Italian group Montefibre is thought to have lost £150m alone, while Britain's ICI admitted by last year that their cessful.

European producers, led by the Rritish, shouned "fool", and urged the Commission to curb exports which they claimed were supported by an unfair trading advantage. The Commission has been reluctant to jeopardize trade relations to fast, and invested too with the United States by the bulk commission to curb exports which they claimed were supported by an unfair trading advantage. The Commission has been reluctant to jeopardize trade relations to fast, and invested too with the United States by the bulk commission to curb exports which they claimed were supported by an unfair trading advantage. The Commission has been reluctant to jeopardize trade relations to fast, and invested too with the United States by the bulk commission to curb exports which they claimed were supported by an unfair trading advantage. The Commission has been reluctant to jeopardize trade relations to jeopardize trade re

ably argue that their difficulties were being aggravated by circumstances outside their control. The immediate crisis has been brought about by a crushing combination of fac-tors, which no doubt brought

The Commission is still forward the time when pro-talking to the United States ducers would have to face about energy pricing, but the consequences of strate-gic mistakes made some been forced into extensive years ago. Each of these factors has probably been felt most severely in the United Kingdom, and may help to explain why ICI came to bale out of the bulk fibres business first.

Demand for the products been forced into extensive bloodletting. How much more will be needed is not more will be needed is not explain why ICI came to have clear. Even if the American threat retreats, there will still be severe over-capacity within Europe and the kkelihood of a market challenge from Far East regulars. Demand for the products made from synthetic fibres knitted and woven gar-

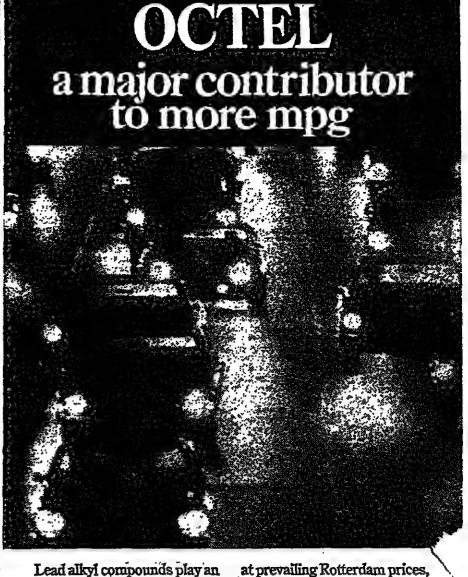
ICI is convinced that it still has a future in the man ments, bedding, carpets and a variety of industrial goods has declined as the general made fibres business: not in the low-price, high-volume lines which it has now aban-doned to others, but in those products carrying higher added value, bigger margins and incorporating techno-logical skill. industry disappear. Alto-gether, more than 100 mills closed last year. This move up market has

become conventional wisdom for the chemicals and texples industries in Western Europe, and there are signs that fibre is a sector in which there is scope for technological advance.

Observers point, Observers point, for example, to the enhanced sales potential for polyester-mix products should their water-absorbency problems be overcome. ICI, which has a share in

an expanding fibres business in the United States. believes it is now in the right shape to exploit the up-market opportunities. Despite poor sales, it has invested more than £100m in its fibres business over

John Huxley



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In Western Europe,

petrol each year.

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The risk of financial loss bying for an easing of safety involved in pharmaceutical measures.

The pharmaceutical interaction in the fact that fewer than one in 5,000 compounds found in record of exports and is a combine strain between the discovery example of the market. Moreover the results to be achieved by the market. Moreover the results to be achieved by the market moreover the discovery encouraging science-based in Britism, backed by public and private, capital, and manufacturing processes.

Most of the political groups, consumer organizations, which has just abantions to industrial companies dougle a new anti-allergy with interferon, and can therefore be used in the purification and assay of interfero itself, which is still the subject of an extern the private capital, and interferon are proving that tends to get most retained to the purification and assay of interferon and can therefore be used in the proving processes.

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<u>Paints</u>

Makers' world turns a grey matt

Prehistoric man took a general industrial markets, by 11 per cent and 16.9 per paint industry tend to follow fairly closely the national last year for powder coating sales fell by 5.7 per cent while exports were unable to maintain the growth shown early in the carrier, whether oil or water, remained the essential ingredients of paint.

Then came my grandfarher. Henry Horsnell and thousands of his generation ahowed the 400 British paint manufacturers, producing manufacturers, producing mology.

The fortunes of the paint industry tend to follow paint industry tend to foll

manufacturers, producing 18.5m of products at the turn of the century, what a revolutionary job he could do with distemper in turning the kitchen (and his flat (22)) into a bright snowy

spent an estimated £20m on laboratory research and that figures does not include investment by the chemicals of wilderness.

The decorative palot important advance since then was the introduction of emulsion in the late 1950s, needs another revolution. The paintmakers' world turned a sort of grey mattlast year from the effects of the recassion. The 1980 sales value increased only by 7.8

spent an estimated £20m on laboratory research and that figures does not include investment by the chemicals figures does not include investment in the market has with own less spectacular benefits of important develop opaints, drying speed, these is the cheapness of opacity, colour stability, safety, and the introduction of brilliant whire—the most the same amount today costs of brilliant whire—the most a decorator £7.80 a seven-big advance in the DIY scarcely compares with the same as the paint in the tin this year is much the same as the improvements in recent years. Not least of important develop opacity, colour stability, opac value increased only by 7.8 search investment lighted and increased only by 7.8 per cent, well below the indicate the real truth. There announced electropants, consumer the hug per cent, well below the indicate the real truth. There announced electropants, consumer the hug powder or slurry paints, self costs in materials. The largest is non-stop development, powder or slurry paints, self costs in materials. Wichael I special thin coatings for the revolution. and revolution. the automotive

headed by ICI paints division. Berger and Crown-spent an estimated £20m on laboratory research and that nessed improvements in paints for the home: non-

volume was down 8.1 per the paint ago. But the re- sectors means that manufacturers cent on 1979 while sales 50 years ago. But the re- sectors. The industrial sector has have not passed on to the value increased only by 7.8 search investment figures. The industrial sector has have not passed on to the value increased only by 7.8 indicate the real truth. There announced electropaints, consumer the hugely rising

year and were down 1.3 per cent for 1980 as a whole. The year's sales value of £850m for paints and allied products reflected the cut in industry and the reduction in to fill the time by doing up private and public halding. As demand fell, most manufacturers were forced to invest less in new technology.

Even so, the paintmakers "The decorative market sometimes shows a different in partern, as at the beginning in the first laid off and decide in the living room. "We hope facturers were forced to invest less in new technology.

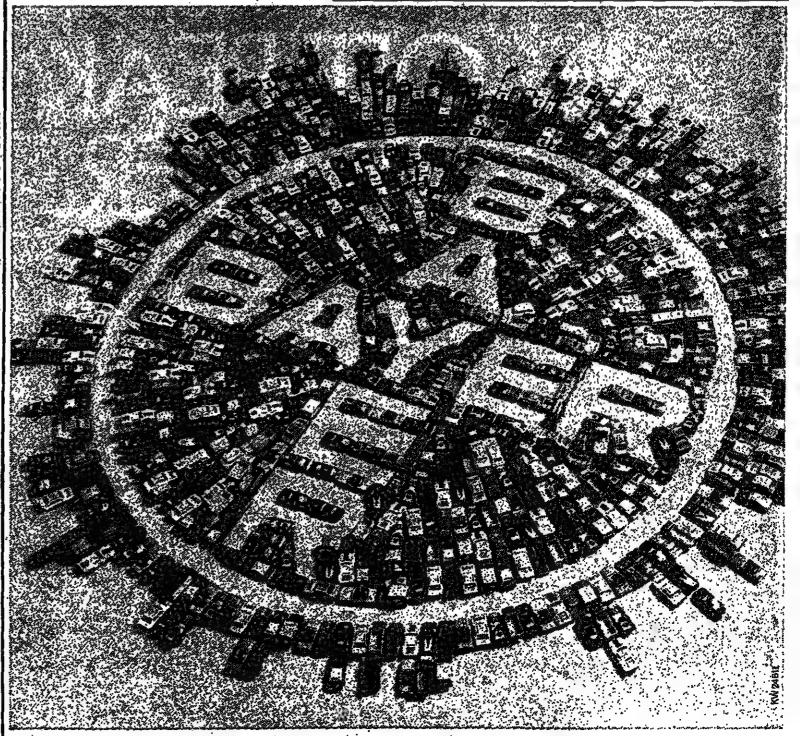
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Advances may have been greater in the marine and industrial sectors but the doir yourself field has bad its



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Era of profligate exploitation of discovery is over

The chemical industry's just too high for it to show raw materials in the manu- added value" means looking with antibiotic, anti-inflam- areas has led to the identi- conversion of coal into storage. A chemical heat which such technology future product range is not a profit. the bulk of chemical pro- products? The answer to Nevertheless, there is a tion. This has been the basis defence mechanisms, which ducts in the year 2000 are both questions is "yes and growing realization in the of the pharmaceuticals secould be valuable in the already being planned, be no".

Industry that, if it is to tor for many years, but is treatment of mental dising built or producing. The For the past support of mental dising built, or producing. The For the same products will dominate century, the

of the plastics market. Their developed better,

outline. The plants and innovation is over? Will developing new and perhaps pared to pay a price un toxins, produced as part of processes which will make there be no really new unwanted products.

the market, because demands industry has been profligate many large companies. For centuries, humanity for fertilizers, plastics and in its exploitation of dis-research budgets have has profited from naturally for fertilizers, plastics and in its exploitation of dis-research other basic industrial covery. With high growth escaped the cost cutting occurring chemical submaterials will not disappear rates and profitability there which has otherwise applied The heart drug distinct disappear. In many cases, known pro- has been no real incentive across the board, ducts will continue either be to get the most out of new cause no alternative is products and processes. In likely to be invented or be the past few years, the cause it is not worth any emphasis has changed. Much countries, such as Saudi products, with particular one's while to invent an more time is spent now on Arabia, which have their own attention being paid to those alternative. Balf a dayer soing back over old ground raw, materials. The major which countries attention being paid to those attention back over old ground raw, materials. ducts will continue either be- to get the most out of new

facture of a product with a for materials which have matory or antiviral properdifficult to predict in broad Does this mean that the known market is a safer bet very specific effects, for ties. More interesting, per-

> quarter survive in the long term, it now spreading throughout order. chemical must remain innovative. In the industry.

alternative. Half a dozen going back over old ground raw materials. The major which come from hitherto polymers account for most and seeing how it can be producers now in the United unexplored environments.

related to the cost of produc- the

covered in foxoloves in the

developed better. States and Western Europe The University of South American scientists have To the outside world this will have to live more on era California, for example, also been looking at the they are made in huge quan- approach may not seem their wits and ingenuity. has recently started a natural defence mechanisms their wits and they are cheap. If innovative but, at a time Consequently, many research marine bio-active substances of desert plants. Several new an alternative to any of them when the industry is being teams are looking for new research programme. The chemical structures with invere invented tomorrow, it squeezed, money spent products which will be more aim is to find valuable new secticidal properties have would stand little chance of on developmental research valuable weight for weight substances from marine been found. In India, an competing—the cost of en-which may mean a few per than today's bulk chemicals. Organisms. Already some evaluation of plants used in the market would be cent saving of energy or This quest for "higher substances have been found folk medicine in remote

marine organisms'

Some marine defence substances might also be of use for their original purpose. Association for the Advancement of Science, meeting in Toronto, was told about the isolation of a small protein from the Moses sole which makes this fish unattractive to sharks. It might pave the way to an effective shark, ellem for human use.

American scientists have

fertility materials.

chemist. Using modern synthetic techniques, a modified research on new materials to placed by lightweight, material can be produced capture that form of energy rechargeable batteries made which is as effective as the natural product but lacks undesirable side effects and--more impertant—can be manufactured economically.

director of one large chemical group, the chemical in- two parts, and each has been dustry will stay much the same during the next two or The problem is to couple the three decades because it is two. now an appendage of the George Porter, whose re-energy industry—taking its search group at the Royal small share of the oil as its Institution in London is one basic raw material. However, of the leaders, believes that as the energy supply photochemical systems for changes, it will change the trapping solar energy could chemical industry at the be mass-produced economic-

fication of a variety of anti- liquid and gaseous fuels. pump system has However, some alternative Often, the discovery of a forms of energy supply will United States which

> An important endeavour demands for limited metal is to find rugged chemical resources. photosynthetic activity of plants. The natural photosystem can be divided into imitated with fair success. Nevertheless.

be mass-produced economic-ally within a decade.

natural product with a strik- become practicable only store solar energy and use Are there new molecules to ing effect is only the start- through chemical innovation, it for both heating and air come, with unexpected proning point for the industrial The potential of solar energy conditioning. And conven- erties? Several years ago, a has already led to intensive tional batteries could be re chance observation made from specially treated poly-mer films; thus reducing

> The continued pressure on society to adapt to rising energy costs could also lead to different types of innovatory demand on the chemi-cal industry. As the cost of be a tendency for people to move around less and to keep in contact with the electronic technology.

The potential for new production process. microelectronics There is already a huge Promising research results it is realized, however, research effort related to the are emerging, too, in energy depends on the extent to

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been generates consumer demand. What of "real" chemistry? while supervising an undergraduate research project led Dr C. A. McAuliffe of the University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology to develop some new compounds which easily and reversibly absorb oxygen. Although some scientists have cast doubts on Dr McAuliffe's results. BOCone of the United Kinedom's most important producers of

> less energy-intensive ogygen Martin Sherwood

oxygen, a chemical used on

them up in the hope of

developing a new and much

Chemistry and Industry

COAL TRADE

Biotechnology

'Genetic engineering' creates a new industrial revolution

Biotechnology, or the in it is not surprising that firm, the Eli Lilly company question; how are the information into a micro-dustrial use of the living several hundred eminent of Indianapolis. No company and the embryo of a plant or animal position for six decades, or laboratory going to be consolidated in the examine the latest scientific dustries by the end of the examine the latest scientific century. A glimpse of the discoveries on which some potential benefits from this of these new industrial to the head of these new industrial to the head of the companies of the source of the living several hundred eminent of indianapolis. No companies of the embryo of a plant or animal genetic engineering in the embryo of a plant or animal genetic engineering in the embryo of a plant or animal stock for the chemical industrial practice, or institutionalized?

Plans for refineries to conspect that into petrol, feed-stock for the chemical industrial practice, or a desired characteristic can be added. In the United tice, or institutionalized?

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seen in the early work on knowledge exists in subjects and, more long term, the exercised over the problems
synthesizing interferon, the like fermentation microbiotransplantation of pancreatic of patentability; for this is
anti-vival compound with logy, in which the brewers, cells. The coming changes where they protect their
possible enti-cancer properfirms such as Tate & Lyle, promise fewer side effects profits. And the methods of
ties, and insulin on an inand the pharmaceutical inand easier treatment. But exploiting living organisms ties, and insulin on an in- and the pharmaceutical industrial scale.

vider in offering innovation in the production of energy and basic industrial materials, in food supply and in a variety of other organisms; aspects of health care. Prothem they ducts like interferon and conditions. insulin have attracted com-mercial attention because consider one item—insulin. they are products with high Since it was discovered in

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But the possibilities go far expert knowledge.

expert knowledge.

The new biotechnology cedures also open the way the first depends on discoveries in to a range of solutions to brought enzyme technology and this sort of problem.

America enzyme technology and this sort of problem, genetic manipulation of The "gene goldrush", as organisms; and between them they are transforming describe the haste by

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and easier treatment. But exploiting living organisms the techniques being opened raise issues which are cen-by genetic engineering pro-tral to commercial law, and the first cases have been brought before the American courts to test the waters.
The universities continue

to be the source of most of the fundamental, research recombinant

can be added. In the United prepared by many of the Kingdom the prestige unit is that at Cambridge, financed by the Medical Research National Coal Board, The backbone to the venture in ber of experiments with biotechnology backed by the National Enterprise Board, But the entrepreneurial

business began with enter-prises like the Cetus Cor-poration in Berkeley, California, supported by two oil companies, Standard Oil of California and the American Oil Company, and the Corporation. systems for the conversion of ethylene to ethylene

Pearce Wright gen and methane.

Money being poured into liquid fuel

1985

Coal

which forms the designs follow a large numdifferent processes for using coal as an alternative.

The chemical routes for

processing coal fall into two that yields a liquid, and thus makes a direct substitute for the natural oil barrel, which is then separated and refined into the usual range of pro-ducts. The other approach is to break the complex hydrocarbon molecule down to simple combustible gases like carbon monoxide,

age terms. Although

Business in the air

2000 Products obtained from re- effect recreates the oil commercially operated barrel. Techniques for lique- Germany more than 50 years faction and gasification of

fining, such as alcohols, distillates and diesel oils can coal are well established for then be synthesized from the accomplishing either of simple molecules, which in

the fast breeder reactor at Dounreay, Scotland.

If nuclear power plants

were the only outlet for

some applications, argonoxygen mixtures for welding

give better performance than

ensures a continuing demand

for this gas: to fill light bulbs, where its inertness

to prolong filament

other gases used

which will be commercially comparable with those devised for refining oil. There seems to be little

'argon, its future might seem 'doubtful; but other uses are An overall plan based on coal that perpetuates the growing. For example, in been conceived. There are oxygen mixed with other gases. And one staple use outlines for the coal-head and coal refinery to replace the well-head and oil refinery; and as the accompanying chart from a study by Shell on international seaborne coal trade indicates, the basic installations of the coal-based in-dustry are indeed a close

industrially in tonnage quantities are hydrogen and copy of the oil-based one. Coal conversion processes is produced mainly by re-forming of natural gas, were first developed and

while the latter is the by chemical processes and also of alcoholic fermentation. .In addition to its wellknown use in putting the fizz in soft drinks, carbon

dioxide—like nitrogen—is widely used in food refrigeration. The two gases also compete in the oil industry, where they are used to maintain pressure in oil reservoirs. Nitrogen is the cheaper of the two, but if the United

develops a large-States scale gasohol programme, the associated increase in could alter the relative prices and balance of use in North America. Europe by programmes such as that recently announced by the alcohol from plant material Hydrogen use depends. like that of oxygen, on its chemical reactions. Its man but produces oxygen of only ket in chemical and metal-about 90 per cent purity, Liquid nitrogen is a valu-steadly in the past decade and it might conceivably some able source of cold. One of to new heights. This possi-bility, like prospects for oxy-gen and carbon dioxide, is freezing food and keeping it frozen, particularly during transportation. Trucks with linked to future energy supplies. Hydrogen burns in air to release energy and pro duce a non-poliurant con bustion product, water. I has been suggested that i could become an important energy transfer and storage

provide an inert blanket of gas for processes that can not he carried out satis-factorily in the presence of medium when oil runs out The "hydrogen economy if it ever comes, will no come quickly. Even withou Storage tanks containing flammable chemicals at the rebuilt Nypro plant it, those companies which are involved in producing at Flixborough have nitrogen blankets, to prevent and marketing industria oxidative deterioration of gases probably already have sufficiently diverse outlets be material. for their products to assure them of reasonable pro-perity even in today's adverse As industrial processes in-

rease in complexity, the need for inert blankets also increases. Although nitrogen does not react easily, it is

liquid nitrogen based retrig-

eration systems are now a common sight on British

Nitrogen is also used to

accomplishing either these schemes.

ment in Europe and North-America, estimated at more than £1,000m, is to perfect particular technologies Air is big business for the too reactive for some prothemical industry. Both oxygen and nitrogen, which more inert, is used for exmake up most of the atmosphere, rank in this top 10
sodium pool in which fuel
industrial chemicals in tonlegements are immersed in
questions centre on how

Oil Corporation adopted a rapidly the industrial convariant of the Fischer-version should be pushed Tropsch process used in Ger-over the next 20 to 25 years many. and how much it is going to Small quantities of petrol

ago. A process for liquefying coal via hydrogenation at high temperatures and pres-The money being poured sures was producing four into research and develop million tons of oll and aviasures was producing four tion spirit a year from 13 plants in 1944. As the indusrrialized countries became addicted to cheap oil after the Second World War, the technology was abandoned.

Small quantities of petrol have been produced in pilot America. But that is not the immediate goal. The first target is to use coal conversion to replace the heavy distillates which form the bottom 10 to 20 per cent of the oil barrel and that are increasing price of oil, it is becoming economic to pro-cess those natural oil dis-tillates into higher-premium products like petrol and chemical feedstock instead



Society needs to seek more sources of power. They probably won't be easy to find. In fact, some may well be so remote that the problem will not be so much in generating power, but in carrying it to where it's needed.

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NEW TASKS FOR THE ALLIANCE

Analysing the woes of the nuclear weapons in Europe. And western alliance has become a growth industry. Reports descend from all sides listing the daunting dangers which now face us. Some even have useful ideas on what we should do. It is, however, an event of some significance when the heads of the principal foreign affairs institutes of Britain. France, West Germany and the United States get together for the first time to produce a joint report. They are plugged into the best sources, so their thinking represents something more than their own private meditations. And the fact that they felt it necessary to get together is in itself an indication of the seriousness with which the problems are now taken by those most concerned with them. Perbaps there experts can struggle through disagreements to common ground. then why not politicians too?

Not that their report is particularly rich in answers, but it gives conventional wisdom some thoughts to chew on. It sees three linked threats: the rise of Soviet military power combined with the deterioration of East-West relations; the vulnerability of the industrial West to interruptions in the supply of oil and raw materials from increasingly unstable parts of the world; and the world economic crisis which exacerbates tensions and weakens the ability of the vest to the of the challenges. On top of all this there are the increasingly within the COAL severe divisions within the western alliance on how to meet these threats.

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The report will probably be celebrated by the political right as showing that the wind is blowing in their favour. It urges more vigorous defence effort by the West, joint preparations for the possible use of force in he Gulf area, and aid to Afghan iberation movements. However, t is unequivocal in supporting continuation of arms control alks with the Soviet Union, both n strategic weapons and theatre

although it says that "a substan-tial improvement in the United States' capacity to act worldwide is necessary" it adds that it would be unfortunate if this ruled out "a serious dialogue between the two superpowers." It might have added that a properly conducted policy of detente has never been tested by the West-largely because the instability of American politics made a consistent application of sticks and carrots impossible. This does not mean it can be revived but it should discourage dogmatic assertions that any hope of intro-ducing some degree of restraint and regulation into East-West

For the moment, however, the rise in East-West tensions must be faced, and the danger of its exacerbating instability in the Third World must be guarded against. The industrial West is now extremely vulnerable, and if parts of the world on which it depends for raw materials begin to nuravel too quickly it could face disasters of incalculable pronortions. This is the central challenge facing the alliance.

rivalry is necessarily doomed.

The four wise men of our foreign affairs, institutes, are right to put the issue in strong terms. They are right that Europe must now take very seriously the threat to its security from outside the Nato area, that it must share with the United States the burden of meeting this threat, that the United States must reciprocate with genuine consultations, and that Japan, being both a world power and very dependent on oil imports, must be involved. A new alliance. relationship must be built, as the report rightly says.

But what then? The most controversial part of the report is that which discusses the possible use of force in the Gulf area. Here too the authors are right in principle. Diplomacy not backed by some capacity to use force is. seldom effective. There are how-

ever, two main problems. One is that the presence of western forces could actually provoke instability which suggests that they should as far as possible, be just over the horizon. The other problem is to distinguish the situations in which they might be usefully sent into action from those in which they might do more harm than good

Threats could come from so many different directions : direct Soviet aggression; guerrilla movements with or without Soviet help; popular revolutions with or without Soviet help; coups d'état from inside political establishments; or simply a change in policy by major oil states deciding to keep more of their oil in the ground.

Western force could certainly be useful in discouraging direct or indirect intervention by the Soviet Union, Although geo-graphy makes the military position of the Soviet Union stronger than that of the West in the Gulf region, the proximity of western forces could raise the risks for the Soviet Union. Western force might also be used to quell minor rebellions at the request of a government

There is, however, little that western armies could do to stop a genuine popular revolution or a change of policy by a legitimate government. Nor could western armies secure and run the oil fields in a hostile environment, in spite of what some people in Washington appear to think, The possible uses of force are therefore limited, and the western position could become even weaker if too much reliance is placed on them, or if they are used against the pressures for political and social change which are on the move in the Gulf area. In the long run western security must rest in cooperat-tion with stable and representative governments, combined with as much reinsurance as possible through diversification of sources

and lower consumption:

CONSTITUTIONAL MONARCHY AT WORK

As Spain returns to normal, and he plotters of Monday's abortive oup are arrested, it is easy to ee the attempted seizure of lower as theatre, an opera the three-cornered hat. Lieutenant Colonel Antonio lejero Molina, in his traditional ricornio pointing his pistol in he Cortes chamber, presented a omic rather than menacing listance of a television screen. ome of the two hundred Civil Juardsmen who followed his lead ad apparently been told that heir invasion of the Parliament uilding was an exercise, others hat they were to disarm and verpower a leader of the Basque errorist organization ETA. As he imprisoned deputies became nore confident, and the insurents more demoralized, support or Colonel Tejero trickled away.

At the same time there are ome signs that Colonel Tejero's rutsch was not perhaps as isolaed as it seemed, and that it rould have enjoyed wider upport had it been better rganized. The military comnander of the Valencia district, ieutenant-General Jaime Milans lel Bosch, declared a state of mergency just as Colonel Tejero nd his men were bursting into he Cortes, and other senior fficers may also be implicated. n any case, the mere fact that in assault of this kind can be nade on Spain's still nascent lemocracy is alarming. It is

ilmost incredible that Colonel l'ejero, who had been convicted n November, 1978, of plotting to werthrow democracy in Spain, hould have subsequently been

Sir, A year or two ago, an angry

correspondence waged between in-dustry and the Arts Council ended in an armed truce called by Lord

As everyone connected with the

arts has been only too aware, there

has since been no drawing together of the two points of view, although to its credit—industry has so far refused to be discouraged and the

movement towards greater commercial sponsorship of the arts con-

However, in a recently published statement (Arts Council Information Bulletin, January, 1981). the Secretary General of the Arts Council again throws down the gauntlet.

The pub of his argument, the only sentence he has printed in italics, is

as follows: "The Arts Council is spending taxpayers' money, and has as much a duty to ensure that taxpayers know what is being done with their money, as husiness sponsors need to show their shareholders than due publicity results from

that due publicity results from sponsorship".

A more misleading statement would be hard to imagine. It totally ignores the factor of delegation. As

taxpayers we are only ton anxious that the Arts Council should get on

with its proper job of supporting the arts without bothering to tell

us on every possible occasion what a tremendous job it is doing. It will

be judged by results and not by the size of the credit it demands of

be suffering from a large chip which distorts its sense of priority.

tinues to gain momentum.

Arts sponsorship

From Mr Stephen Reiss

Goodman.

given responsibility for security in Parliament.

As for General Milans, he, like many other senior military officers, was a product of the Franco era, and indeed fought in the infamous Blue Division alongside Nazi German forces. It is less than five years since Franco's death and Spain's return to democratic forms of govern-ment, and it would be surprisways of dictatorship had not lingered on. But the Government's response to manifestations of diehard Francoist sentiment in military and police circles has been cautious, and its handling of rebellion has been lax.

It may be that the purges now under way in the armed forces and police as a result of Monday's coup attempt will correct this. Both General Milans and Colonel Tejero are under arrest. So too is the deputy joint chief of staff. Major General Alfonso Armada Comyn. General Armada was involved in negotiations with the insurgents inside the Cortes during the uprising, and was said to be close to King Juan Carlos. But there are now suggestions that be might have had sympathies with the aims of the rebels. Other senior officers in detention include Colonel Ricardom Garchitorena Zalba, who tried to zrrest the military governor of Madrid during the attempted

If residual military leanings toward dictatorship are effectively neutralized, Monday's events may yet turn out to be the last gasp of Francoism rather than a symptom of the failure of democracy to take root. In a sense the

Business will support the arts if it

gets value for money. But if it is warned too often not to be "too

hungry for acknowledgement at the

expense of the Arts Council", it

will soon grow weary of the exer-cise. These are the simple facts which the council still has the

choice to accept or reject.

Yours faithfully.

STEPHEN REISS,

Managine Director Business Art Galleries, Royal Academy of Arts,

Burlington House,

Housing revival

Piccadilly, W1. February 23.

calm reaction of the Spanish people, and the reluctance of the majority of Spain's troops and police to move in support of the rebels. have already demonstrated that democracy is not a frail flower. Much of the credit for this must go to the King, Juan Carlos, who by acting in a resolute and level-headed fashion gave a forthright lead at a critical moment. He had already won respect in the country at large. He showed courage and assureness during his recent visit to the Basque region, and has been widely praised—even on the left his commitment to pluralism and the defence of iberty. His influence in the armed forces, his swift convening of a parallel Government during the siege of the Cortes, and his firm address to the nation on television have all enhanced this impression, and are impressive testimony of the assurance of Spain's constitutional monarchy. There are those in Western Europe, watching the events in Madrid from afar, who will con-clude that Spain is not yet fit to enter the European Community. Spain first applied for membership in 1977, and is hoping to join by 1984. Much will depend on how, under the guidance of King Juan Carlos, Spain is now able to tackle its numerous problems-including economic difficulties, and continuing unrest among the Basques-within a democratic framework. But the FEC should take heart from Spain's swift recovery, should bear in mind and democracy is much more likely to flourish if Spain is inside than

commonsense course is to kill two birds with one stone homlessness and unemployment by setting the

if it is outside the European

Community.

builders to work. That is what West Germany and That is what West Germany and Italy did as soon as the signs of the slump appeared. It would also follow the examle of President Roosevelt's New Deal. With 13 million unemployed in the States in the thirties he gave the go-ahead for vast housing estates and imaginative projects, such as the Teunessee Valley Authority. That is what Britain should be doing today.

To take 100,000 building workers off the dole would save £600 millions a year in benefit and loss of income tax. In addition, of course, they would be adding an equal or even

would be adding an equal or even greater sum to the country's producours sincerely,

FRANK ALLAUN, House of Commons.

From Mr Frank Allam, MP for Salford East (Labour) Sir, Following the climb down by Mrs Thatcher and hec Government

over pit closures, may I suggest that the time has come for them to reverse their cuts in an even bigger industry—construction.

Last year's housing starts were the lowest since 1914 with only one exception. This year the number started will be even lower. Opposizion to this has come from almost every quarter: the National Federation of Building Employers, the unions, Shelter, the Association of Municipal Authorities, other local authorities, the EDC, the National Association of Tenants' Organisations, the Royal Institute of British Architects and, of course, the Architects and, of course, the Labour Party.

The Cabinet is nearly alone in persisting in its cut-backs. It will have to back down.

A visitor from Mars would be its clients. Similarly, as share-holders, we have no wish to become involved in the precise way in which the company spends its astounded at seeing 1,200,000 famimoney; it is only the end product which concerns us. lies on the housing waiting lists on the one hand and, at the same time, 300,000 unemployed building oper-atives on the other. Surely the The council appears currently to

Man or beast From Mr Lewis Massey

20 Orchard Rise,

Groombridge Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Sir, A propos of Bernard Levin's column on unusual surnames (February 19), it may interest him (and, more appositely, Mr Philip Howard!) to know that the Victorians referred to bed-bugs as Noriolk Howards. The origin of this goes back to the illustrious columns of your own paper. My Shorter Oxford English Dictionary (second edition, reprinted 1939) has the following entry: "Norfolk Howard, 1365. (In The Times of 26 June, 1862, one Joshua Bug declared in due form that he had assumed the name of Norfolk Howard.) A bedbug Slang."
Yours faithfully, LEWIS MASSEY,

Why Russia should leave Afghanistan

From Mr Muhammad Aziz Naim Sir, As an Afghan who had connections with the pre-April 1978 regime and knew Babrak Karmal personally, may I be permitted to comment on the remarks made by the latter at a press conference in Moscow after his arrival there for the communist party congress, as reported (February 21) in The Times?

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Mr Karmal's insistence on the "absolute" legitimacy of his regime, established in his view "according to the people's will and "in accordance with democratic procedures" is ridiculous. The naked cruth is that never in the course of modern Afghan history at least has any pupper installed by a foreign power been accepted by the "will" of the Afghan people. On the courtery, the pressure of this "will" has either destroyed such puppers or forced their foreign masters to abandon them, and recognise the patriotic leadership.

The "will" of the Afghan people has already manifested its rejectives.

The "will" of the Afghan people has already manifested its rejection of the present Karmal regime and those of his two communist predecessors. Taraki and Amin, It was this manifestation which forced the Soviets to "usher in the second phase of the glorious April revolution," as Karmal put it in another speech, by intervening directly and installing him and his associates. Karmal also claims that the Soviet invasion is "fraternal assistance" against an "undeclared

tance" against an "undeclared war" started by the "Peking-Islamabad-Washington triangle"! In fact, this so-called undeclared war represents the Afghans' declared opposition to a regime installed by a superpower whose imperialistic record is similar to or

even worse than that of its western rivals. Karmal's remarks are remi-niscent of the nineteenth century imperialists who used alleged Rus-sian influence in 1839 and 1879 in

san influence in 1839 and 1879 and Kabul as a pretext for their Afghan invasions.

Karmal insults the Afghan people when he says that the 1917 October Revolution in Russia opened the way to freedom". In fact, the Alghan War of Indepenfact, the Afghan War of Independence in 1919 was the conclusion of a long struggle against foreign domination and was inspired not by the October Revolution but by Afghan patriotism and the teachings of Islam. The 1921 Treaty of Friendship with the Soviet Union to which Karmal refers was only the first of a series of treaties with friendly countries.

Afghanistan has always had friendly relations with the USSR, but until 1978 this friendship was based on good neighbourliness and mutual respect for peritorial inte-

mutual respect for territorial inte-grity. As an underdeveloped counby Afghanistan has no other desire or design than peace, security and stability, the prerequisites for social and economic development. Our ultimate aim must be good relations with the USSR, but the present case of affairs wakes this imsent state of affeirs makes this im-possible and is creating deep-

rooted hostility towards it among the Afghan people.

It is to be hoped that the Russians will realise this before it is too late and leave Afghanistan to the Afghans, and thus seek the good will of the Afghan masses, if any of them remain. Yours faithfully,

M: A. NAIM, Flat D, 103 Greencroft Gardens, NW6. February 24.

to support ICCROM and protest in

astonishment, amazement and disgust at the Government's clumsy

action. Unfortunately, because it is broadly based on humanistic, scien-

tific and artistic skills, conservation

has no one sponsor in governmental circles, so when financial cuts were

made no one wanted to speak for ICCROM. Unfortunately for Britain these cuts will have long term repercussions far beyond those

ICCROM has been an agent for

spreading British culture skills and

technology in a field where quality counts. British teachers have helped

envisaged.

Heritage in danger From Dr Bernard M. Feilden

Sir, The United Kingdom's with-Sir, The United Kingdom's with-drawal from the International Centre, for the Study of Preservation and Restoration of Cultural Property (ICCROM for short) was sudden (letter, February 17). No warning was given of the Government's inten-tions, no reason being provided at the time to justify its actions on December 22. Since then I have met the Minister for Overseas Develop-ment who assured me that there ment who assured me that there were no complaints about the work of ICCROM, but explained that it of ICCROM, but explained that it was the Government's policy to cut back on multilateral aid. As Britons receive \$170,000 back from participating in the activities of ICCROM in return for \$65,000 subscribed it is bard to see why ICCROM's work is classified as aid. One might say aid to whom? Unfortunately the immediate sufferers from the withdrawal are British candidates for places at ICCROM, who probably hose grants of the order of \$30,000. The work of ICCROM in conserving our heritage, be it in museums or in historic bindings and towns, is multidisciplinary, bringing together archaeologists, architects, art historians, engineers, museolo-

art historians, engineers, museologists, curaturs/conservators and (Trastevere), scientists. Distinguished members of Rome 00153. each of these disciplines have written February 23.

and British experts have been recommended for many interesting and difficult jobs. As Director, I and difficult jobs. As Director, I have been proud to be a Briton and an ambassador for our country to the four corners of the world. This act of the Ministry of Overseas Development will reduce our prestige and influence; however, if the \$65,000 can be reised privately the Ministry of the Second of the Secon

the Ministry may be persuaded to rejoin ICCROM. I am dedicated to this object. Yours faithfully,

B. M. FEILDEN.
The International Centre for Conservation.
Via di San Michele 13

pragmatic policies ("fine-tuning" it

used to be called) with which we have been familiar in the past.

This Government was elected on a policy which The Times supported

of reducing the share of public

expenditure in total GNP, because the burden of supporting state administration and enterprise was threatening to engulf the profit-making sector of the economy. Mrs

Thatcher's attainments so far have fallen below expectations because of

the need to trim in the face of the world recession.

soften the blow may well in the short term be justifiable. But that

is not to say that the long-term strategy is wrong Indeed, a return

to those very centrist Butskellite policies of the fifties and sixties which have brought us to the very

pass in which we now find ourselves is surely something The Times

would never have countenanced 18

Some measure of pragmatism to

Right to know

From Mr Ian Harvey Sir. During the Suez crisis the officers and committee of the 1922 Committee, of which I was then joint-secretary, exercised their right to request Sir Anthony Eden to meet them and explain the position. Admittedly it was not a very stimulating contribution. lating occasion.

In view of the obvious disquiet of many Conservative backbeachers, and their supporters in the country, it would seem that this is an appropriate moment for the present incumbents to do the same with Mrs Thatcher. If is to be hoped that the results would be: more encouraging. Yours faithfully, IAN HARVEY, Chairman,

Paddington Conservative Association 92 Bishop's Bridge Road, WZ. February 23.

Pragmatic policies From Dr N. E. Saul

Rates and taxes

From Mr Peter M. Reed

Sir. Your argument (leader, February 16) that the British do not like radical, doctrinaire governments

NIGEL SAUL, Department of History, Royal Holloway College, Egham Hill, Egham, Surrey. February 15.

may or may not be true. What is certain is that that is not necessarily an argument for a return to the

From Mr Feter M. Reed

Sir. We must be grateful to Mr
Heddle (February 23) for bringing
the "great rate debate" to the
attention of your columns, and it is
to be hoosed that this difficult subject will receive some careful
consideration upon which politicians
are able to make reasonable deci-

Before the debate goes too far

however, we urgently need some ground rules, and Mr Heddle's final

paragraph does not seem to help

Local government finance is raised (as to approximately 60 per cent) by central government grant, which put another way means by national taxation; it is therefore

quite wrong to suggest that the "retired pensioner" is contributing anything like the same proportion

local government expenditure as a working family neighbour.

Mr Heddle further seems to sug-

gest that liability to taxes and rates should be related to services received; this would be a remarkable and novel amendment to the taxation system in this country (should the sick, the old and the student pay the most?)

student pay the most?).

In the event of a drastic amendment to the structure of the finance.

of local government, a better start might be made by financing major items such as education, police and

the fire services directly from central government, leaving local

government to reise money locally to pay for local matters. This would be more truthful and would make

local and national governments directly accountable to their respec-

tive electors. Yours faithfully,

PETER M. REED.

1 Snow Hill ECL.

February 23.

The Liberal vote From Mr Bryan Jenner

months ago. Yours faithfully,

Sir, Geoffrey Smith (February 13) asserts that "there is no prospect of the Liberals breaking through to power on their own ". In so claiming he overlooks the fact that in the last three general elections the Liberal Party has fielded more than 500 candidates, and in October 1974 put forward 619 Could a social democrat group, with no organiza-tion on the ground, achieve that by

Secondly, he overlooks a question in your ORAC survey of February 9, which showed that, given the traditional party line-up 21 per cent would vote Liberal—more than at any comparable stage in the lifetime of a parliament since the war and already within sight of the Tories.

Most importantly, he overlooks the result of a question asked in your ORC poll of January 17, 1980, (not, alas repeated in your more recent poll) when 42 per cent of the sample said they would vote Liberal if they thought that the Liberal Party had a reasonable chance of winning the next election. This included, incidentally, 36 per cent of Labour yoters.

I would point out that if such a percentage did vote Liberal—and they are likely, on the basis of recent electoral history, at least to have the opportunity—then not only would the Liberals emerge as the largest parliamentary group, they would also given the present electoral system-have a huge overall majority. Yours faithfully.

BRYAN JENNER. 4 Parsonage Oast, Monkton. Ramsgate, Kent

Anomalies in the Nationality Bill

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sir, If Ronald Butt (article, February 19) wishes to tarry on a public debate with Church leaders over the position they have taken towards the new Nationality Bill, he might at least take pains to understand what those churchmen are saying. Mr Butt argues that, in redefining nationality, "for social stability we need to draw a line across the page of recent immigration". Leaving aside for the moment the continuing right of 200 million EEC nationals to come to this country, Mr Butt surely does not wish to "draw a line across the page of recent immigration "rrespective of any and all past obligations. Far from taking a purist "theological" position or advocating an "open door" policy towards immigration, the Roman Catholic Bishops have tried to indicate which of our past obligations cannot be intringed. Bishops have tried to indicate which of our past obligations cannot be jettisoned. In a carefully worded statement, they say that: "all individuals who are at present citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies and of no other state must be admitted into a citizenship with clearly defined right; and duties, including the right to enter, reside including the right to enter, reside and work in the United Kingdom or a named colony". This principle confines itself to those British nationals who have no other citizenship. It does not say that such peo-ple must be admitted to Britain, but that they must be given cither British nationality or that of a par-ticular colony. The bishops, therefore, are not opposed to citizenship of the dependent territories; but

of the dependent territories; but they insist that such a citizenship must carry with it the right of entry to a named territory (eg Hongkong).

The bishops are more fundamentally opposed to British overseas citizensbip. Such "citizens" will have no right of entry anywhere and in some cases will have no other nationality. British overseas citizenship is a very questionable concept based as it is on the Commonwealth Immigrants Act 1968. The 1968 Act was rushed through Parliament in eight days in the aftermath of a racial scare, and was later condemned by the European later condemned by the European Commission for Human Rights for discriminating against East African Asians "on grounds of colour or race". The 1968 Act represented a refusal to acknowledge obligations to certain groups of people; and that refusal is perpended in the present Nationality Bill. The people in question, to whom

we have an obligation that coes un-recognised in the present Bill, are perhaps forty thousand East African Asians and twice as many people of Chinese descent living in Malaysia. They would become British overseas citizens, although they hold United Kingdom and Colonies passports and bave no other nationality. If they cannot be given or do not want the cidzenship of the places where they should receive British citizenship. Compared with

From the General Secretary of the Catholic Commission for Racial numbers are quite small and they are no more likely than Europeans Sir, If Ronald Butt (article, Feb.

any case they represent a limited number of people to whom, in the eyes of the bishops, we have a clear

eyes of the dishops, we have a clear obligation.
Surely, the bishops are not to be faulted for this attempt to define obligations which cannot be abrogated. Their position, far from being purist, outlines our minimal responsibilities.
Yours sincerely,
RICHARD, TIPFEL RICHARD ZIPFEL, General Secretary, Catholic Commission for Racial

Justice, Church Hall,

1 Amwell Street ECL February 19

From Lord Lytton .

Sir, In the "Butting" of Bishops (feature, February 19) I find it difficult not to "Butt" with Mr Butt and the Government.

It is less than a generation since 1,000 million people had the right to settle in the UK. That all should try to exercise that right was always impossible to allow. When only a handful tried there was a benevolent

laissez passer. With the dissolution of our Empire too many of our former subjects overseas tried to continue in enjoyment of our rule in the only way possible, by coming to settle in the UK. Tens of millions of people have been on the move since 1947, most of them displaced by black imperialism, the rule of terror,

muddle and starvation. I do not turn sway my face.
Through the BBC monitoring service:
I sm in daily touch with the bleak
outlines of most of it. I am stirred
to the depths—often to tears. Was for this that we who served on the imperial frontiers endured heat, hardship, isoletion and malaria?

They are black. They are beautiful, I have served them. I have loved them. I now put my hand in my pocket hoping to bring a cup of clean water to the thirsty. But I do not think we can solve their life and death problem by bringing them all to the UK. If we keep them out on the source of numbers of out on the score of numbers of course there are "racial implica-tions", because they are all black— but that's a damn allly thing to say in this context for there are overwhelming reasons based on numbers even if we preferred them all black.

As for the margins, my father was born in Calcutta. Jus soli would have made him an Indian with a nave made him an indian with a frantic real to substitute jus sanguinis for jus soil. Had be failed in this the three of his children born in the UK would have been staunch upholders of jus soil, whilst the fourth born in Paris might have preferred I know not what—the Code Napoléon perhaps ! Yours faithfully,

LYTTON. House of Lords, February 18.

Alcohol fire bazard From Mrs Susanna Hall

Sir, Jack Pizzey presented an excellent programme last week concerning sixline disasters. In 20 years the survival rates do not appear to have improved, and a proportion of passengers appear to

die in disasters quite needlessly.

Among the many hazards mentioned—ie, seats filled with foam that burns easily and gives off toxic fumes, blocked escape exits, incorrect diagrams on life saving instruction cards—are the added fire risks of carrying duty free alcohol, something which has been causing great concern to pilots, we were told, who are urging a ban on all sales.

In Singapore one buys dury free In Singapore one buys duty free goods on arrival. If all airports adopted this policy, and plenes only carried sufficient alcohol for inflight consumption, no loss of revenue, would be incurred to the airports, and at least one of the fire hazards could be easily reduced. Yours sincerely, SUSANNA HALL, Old Parks Cortage, Woodlands Lane. Woodlands Lane, Stoke D'Abernon. Cobham,

February 22.

In his own country From Mrs Pamela Gilonis

Sir, Bernard Levin, In his column (February 24), discusses a letter from a young henours graduate who rashly said that he would be willing to have Mr Benn as Prime Minister, or even become part of the Eastern block, if he could get a job.

He devotes a whole article to the reasons why this is a mistaken view—which a lot of us, and probably the young graduate, know already. Would it not be more valuable to examine the circumstances in this country which have led a clever young man to be so desperate? young man to be so desperate?

Can Mr Levin Imagine what it is like to come down from university full of hope and end up in the dole office being treated like a scrounger; to have a thick file of letters regretfully declining your services; to be one of 1,000 graduates applying for a job requiring Olivels?

O-lavels? Does he really think that it is only for "material prosperity" and "letting his belt out a notch" that a man wants some sign that his own country needs him? Yours faithfully,

PAMELA GILONIS, Vineyard Hill Road, SW19.

Gaelic in danger From Mr Angus Nicol

Sir, Donald Stewart's Gaelic (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill was a moderate and reasonable measure, designed to give a little official recognition and support to a language and its culture which are of great age and value. It would involve some expenditure of public funds.

On February 13 the second reading was talked out and the matter adjourned to the 27th after some five and a half hours of so-called debate, consisting of long and irrele-vant speeches by those opposing the Bill, making clever little debating points based on out-of-date and suspect figures. The report in Hansard leaves one amazed that this really be the purpose of Parliament. For the Government it was said

that the Bill and its proposed that the Bill and its proposed expenditure were unnecessary, and the Under-Secretary of State for Scotland pointed proudly at funds totalling £178,000 or so which he implied were for the support of Gaelic. Of that, £102,000 is the grant to the Scottish Arts Council and other organisations, of which by no means all support Gaelic. means all support Gaelic.

At a time when large sums of public money are being spent to preserve immigrants' ways of life, when the Government is spending more than ten times the above amount is support of Welsh, when necessary cuts in local expenditure are likely to lead to the extinction of Fir Chlis and Cinema Sgire (the Gaelic drama and film groups, both deserving of support), and after the Conservative Party pledged in-creased support for Gaelic, these reasons for opposing the Bill ring very hollow. I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

ANGUS NICOL,

Temple, EC4.

5 Paper Buildings,

Care of ancient buildings... From Mr Trevor Jukes

Sir, Lord Mersey (February 19) says. "Vegetation on a building is a parasite feeding on that building. Ivy, for instance, destroys mortar." It would be interesting to know on what evidence he bases this statement In the standard work Trees and

Shrubs Hardy in the British Isles, W. J. Beau says "On houses by is rather beneficial than otherwise, keeping them dry and warm, while the Royal Horticultural Society's Dictionary of Gardening says "For covering unsightly walls or buildings no evergreen is so

Having lived many years in ivy-clad houses, I have never seen any damage caused by the ivy. Yours faithfully. TREVOR JUKES, Winyatts

Leecroft Road Barnet, Hertfordshire. February 19.

Ins and outs From Mr John Phillips

Sir, Mr Cazaler's "outvite" is neat (letter, February 24). I think Professor Higgins might also have approved of the Sudanese government's English bulletin on the occasion of an attempted coup in 1974 when "some inmates of the Central Prison were released by their outmates", though not perhaps of a later paragraph which called on Sudanese expatriates to return home and contribute to the national strife".

Yours faithfully, TOHN PHILLIPS, Southwood, Gordon Road, Horsham, West Sussex. February 24.

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BUCKINGHAM PALACE February 25: His Excellency Dr Yonng Hoon Kang was received in audience by The Queen and pre-sented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credence as Ambassa-dor Extraordinary; and Plenidor Extraordinary and Pleni-potentiary from the Republic of Korea to the Court of Sr James L.

His Excellency was accompanied by the following Members of the Embassy who had the honour of being presented to Her Majesty: Dr. Chong-Ha You (Minister) Colonel Sone Key Virginia (Minister) Colonel Sone Key Virginia (Minister) honour of being presented to her Majesty: Dr Chong-Ha Yoo (Minister), Colonel Song Kyu Kim (Defence Attaché), Mr Taewan Yu (Senior Press and Cultural Attaché), Mr Joun Yung Sun (Counsellor), Mr Hak Sung Lee (Counsellor), Commander Ho Tae Chi (Defence Science Attaché), Mr Chang Yuel Lim (Financial Attaché) and Mr Nake Chun Choi (First Secretary). (First Secretary).

Madame Kang had the honour of being received by The Queen. Sir Antony Acland (Deputy Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) who had the honour of being received by Hee Majesty was being received by Her Majesty was present, and the Geotlemen of the Household in Waiting were in

Mr D. W. Evans was received in audience by The Queen and kissed hands upon his appointment as Her Majesty's Ambassador Extraordinary and Plemipotentiary for Australia at Moscow.

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Mrs Evans had the honour of being received by The Queen.

Sir Kenneth Stowe (Permanent Secretary, Northern Ireland Office) had the honour of being received by Her Majesty.

The Queen, Patron, was present the content of Perention given

by the Association of Lancastrians in London at the Marians by the Association of Lancastrains in London at the Middle Temple. Her Majesty was received by the Treasurer of Middle Temple (the Hon Mr Justice Capitley) and the President of the Association (Sir Natural Capitley).

Mrs John Dugdale, Mr Robert Fellowes and Lieutenant-Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilson were in attendance.
The Duke of Edinburgh this

morning chaired the Selection com-mittee for The Duke of Edin-burgh's Designer's Prize at the burgh's Designer's Prize at the
Design Centre, Haymarket, SW1.
His Royal Highness, as an Honorary Member of the Smeatonian
Society of Civil Engineers, was
present at luncheon with Members
of the Society at the Institution of
Civil Engineers, Great George
Street, SW1. ect, SW1. Ir Richard Davies was in The Duke of Edinburgh, as

The Duke of Edinburgh, as Patron, this evening at Bucking-ham Palace gave a Reception for Members of the Conference on Human Value.

His Royal Highness, as President of the Naval and Military Club, attended the annual President's Dinner at the Club, at 54. Piccadilly. Wil.

Major John Cargin was in atten-

dance.
The Prince of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, this evening dired with the The Prince of Wales, Coloner-In-Chief, this evening dined with the Officers of the Znd King Edward VIT's Own Gurkha Rifles (The Sirmoor Rifles) at Queen Eliza-beth Barracks, Church Crookham, Hampshire.
His-Royal Highness, attended by
Major John Winter, travelled in
an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

CLARENCE HOUSE

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February 25: Queen Elizabeth The
Queen Mother this afternoon
visited Frank Coles House, the
Urban Studies Centre of the
College of St Mark and St John
Foundation, Bethnal Green,
The Hon Mrs John Mulholland
and Sir Martin Cilliat were in
attendance.

The Duke of Edinburgh, as president of the Royal Bath and West and Southern Counties Society, will attend the society's council meeting, at the showground, Shepton Mallet, on March 5.

The Duke of Kent will visit West-land Aircraft Ltd at Yeovil, Somerset, on April 30. The Duchess of Kent, as president, will visit the Royal Northern College of Music and in the even-ing attend the first performance of The Trumpet Major by Alun Hoddinott, in Manchester on

April 1. Princess Alexandra will be present

at a charity performance of Superman II in aid of Special Olympics UK, at the Warner Cinema, Leicester Square, on April 8

Birthdays today Mr B. J. Greenhill, 61; Major Sir Detrick Gunston, 90; Professor Sir Eric Turner, 70.

Today's engagements The Queen and The Duke of Edin-burgh attend premier of film The Mirror Crack d in aid of Mountbatten Memorial Trust, ABC One and Two, Shaftesbury

ABC One and Two, Shaftesbury Avenue, 8.10.
The 'Duke of Edinburgh, as president of City and Guilds Institute, presents 1981 Prince Philip Medal, Buckingham Palace, 12; lunches with members of Institute, Comnaught Hotel, Carios Place, 12.45.
The Prince of Wales, Honorary Commodore, HM Coastruard Commodore, RM Coastguard Service, visits Coastguard Mari-time Rescue Coordination Centre, Greenock, Renfrewshire, 9.50

Greenock, Renfrewshire, 9-50; presents awards of Scottish Council Development and Industry "Enterprise Scotland" Business Competition, City Chambers, Glasgow, 11.30; as patron, International Year of Disabled People, visits Quarries

A memorial service for Sir James

Martin was held at St Clement

Danes, Strand, yesterday. The

Rev D. H. G. Clark, RAF, offi-

ciated. Air Commodore P. Howard

and the Rev P. Crick read the

lessons and Mr A. W. Bedford

gave an address. Among those

present were:
Lady Martin (widow), Mr and Mrs
James Martin and Mr and Mrs John
Martin (soms and denohiera-in-law),
Mr and Mrs D. Hees and Mr and Mrs
D. Livesey (sons-in-law and daughters),
Mr and Mrs D. Hees and Mrs B. Holt,
Mr and Mrs B. Holt,
Mr B. Hold, Miss S. Holt,
Mr B. Hold, Miss S. Holt,
The Ambassador of Indonesia, the
Earl of Kinnoull, Lord Kings Norton,
Marshal of the RAF Sir Dermot and
Lady Reselve, Mr Chief Marshal Sir
Michael Beotlam (Chief of the Air
Smill, and Lady Bootlam Air Chief
Marshal Sir Douglas and Lady Lowe,
Air Chief Marshal Sir Charles and
Lady Ness, Air Chief Marshal Sir Rrx
Roe, Air Marshal Sir Dould and Lady
Craig Air Marshal Sir Charles
Anson (Fisa Officer, Naval Air Command), Air Crammodore D, Leech, Mr
and Mrs E, P, Stevens, Mr and Mrs

Memorial services

Sir James Martin

present were:

Home, Bridge of Weir, Renfrewshire, 3.15.
Talks and lectures: Medieval enamels, Geoffery House, British Museum, 11.30; The age of photography, Colin Ford, British Museum, 1.13; Vallin and Delacroix, Audrey Tyndall, National Gallery, 1; Fuseku and the sublime, Sarah O'Brien-Twohy, Tate Gallery, 1; Lunchtime music: Richard Deakin, violin, and Catherine Dubols, piano, play Bach and Chausson, St. John's. Smith Square, 1.15; Celia Pond, cello, Alexander Ingram, piano, St. George's, Hanover Square, 1.10; Pro-Art Tric, New Hall, City University, 1.10; Tadeusz Kasati, piano, St. Mary-le-Bow, 1.05; Vivien Banfield, piano, St. Bartholomewthe-Great, 1.10
Memorial service: General Sir Rhoderick McLeod, Royal Memorial Chapel, RMA Sandhurst, 110011.

V. Mower, Canon Rowland Taylor, Captain P. Gibber, USN. Mrs D. L. Heisinger, Commander J. A. Burt, USN (representing United States Naval Air Systems Command) Group Captain A. Barwood, Genéral Pierre Juliard (French Embassy). Brigadier-General (G. Degil Innocenti (Halfan Embassy). Wing Commander J. Jewell, Squadron Leader J. S. Fiffeld, Mr and Mrs J. E. D. Scott, Dr and Mrs Michael Brown, Dr and Mrs M. S. Snaith Mr and Mrs John Francis, Mr and Mrs J. W. Brooke Smith, Mr C. Gastell, Mr B. Blackwell (Society of Brilish Aeruspace Companies). Mr P. A. Heath (Royal Aeruspace Companies). Mr P. A. Heath (Royal Aeruspace Companies), and Mr Hugh Field (Master of the Gudd of Air Phots and Air Navigators), and Mrs Field.

A service of thanksgiving for the

life of Mr Arnold Haskell was held yesterday at St Paul's. Covent Garden. The Rev Roger

Covent Garden. The Rev Roger Thacker officiated, assisted by the Rev Michael Hurst-Bannister. Mr Stephen Haskell (son) read "Do no go gende into that good night", by Dylan Thomas, and addresses were given by Dame Alicia Markova (sister-in-law), Mr James Monahan, Director of the Royal Ballet School, and Dame Ninette de Valois. Among those present were:

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Mrs Haskell (widow), Mrs Stephen
Haskell (daughter-in-law), Miss Doris

Mr A. L. Haskell





intrigue art historians (Huon Mallalieu writes). They show the Battle of the Saints, fought in 1782, and one is signed by John Martin Hilhouse (c 1750-1822), a member of the family which originally owned the Albion Dockyard, Bristol,

which dates from 1704, making it the oldest surviving shipyard in the world. The paintings, part of the collection of Mr

J. C. G. Hill, the present joint managing director of the dockyard, are apparently original compositions rather than copies of prints and are of such high quality that it seems strange

that : no other evidence of Hilhouse's artistic activity appears to exist. However, it is known that he was a close friend of Philip James de Loutherbourg, and so perhaps he may have had professional help. The paintings will be included in a contents sale at Chew Magna, Avon, on March 5, by the auctioneers Osmond, Tricks.

Neilsen

oak table

Most of the standard works on Arts and Crafts furniture include photographs of newly decorated interiors featuring tables of this design; Holly Monat in Beaconsfield, which was built in 1905-6, and Garden Corner, Chelsea Embankment, which was refurbished in 1906-7. The latter interior was only recently dismantied and could be the source of Sosheby's tables.

The coup was something of a reassurance to Cooper's amour propre as a dealer in turn-of-the-century artifact; he had sold a documented silver cast of Alfred Gilbert's sculpture. "Icarus" for only £14,000 on Monday, the very day when Christie's recorded a bid of £29,000 for a much inferior bronze cast of the same sculpture.

The Sotheby Belgravia sale totalled £70,260, with 16 per cent nosold. The top price was £9,000 for a 10-piece ornate satinwood and lacquer drawing room suite of about 1920.

In Christie's sale of arms and armour a wheel-lock holster pistol made by Elias Gessler of Strasbourg about 1600 sold for £32,000; no estimate had been suggesting a price of about £25,000. The most distinguished feature of the pistol

but Christie's had been suggesting a price of about £25,000. The most distinguished feature of the pistol is a full stock entirely veneered in horn engraved with figures, scrolls and scenes of the chase. It is ant work of superb quality. The pistol was bought for stock by the London dealers R. A. Lee; they point out that a pistol with similar engraving though in finer condition sold for £110,000 at Christie's last July. That had been a world auction record price for a single pistol, encouraged by the monogrammed signatures of the best craftsmen of the period.

Wartski's, London dealers who normally specialize in works of art rather than arms, paid the second highest phice in the £36 at £20,000 (unpublished estimate £15,000 to £20,000) for a pair of percussion rifled target pistols of about 1860; they are cyc-catching pieces, still contained in their presentation case lined in tooled gilt and red velvet.

Competition to

By a Staff Reporter
A plan linking the improvement
of the environment in the Northwest and increased access to
modern art has been launched

with a competition for ideas and designs for works of art to suit selected sites throughout the region.

In the Arts Into The Open competitions are still the Arts Into The Open Competitions.

pition, organized by North West Arts, 11 sites have been chosen, ranging from the outside walls of a hospital at Crewe to a public park and reservoirs at Orrell, near Wigan. Other places include a housing action area in Manchester, a community garden in Rolton and

link art and

environment

price of about £25,000. The mo

Most of the standard works on

Forthcoming Luncheons marriages

Mr M. R. Coulman and Mrs P. M. Fyfe-Jamieson The marriage will take place shortly between Michael Coulman, of Bainden Farmhouse, Horsmon-den, Kent, and Patricia, daughter of the Hou Edward and Mrs Car-

son, of Sevenoaks. The engagement is announced be-tween Brian Holt, Irish Guards, younger son of Brigadier and Mrs A. E. Holt, of Netheravon, Wilt-shire, and Louise, daughter of Sir Edward and Lady Pickering, of Wonersh, Surrey.

and Miss A. C. Hills

The engagement is announced between Marcus, only son of Lady Binney, of St Lawrence, Jersey, and stepson of the late Sir George Binney, DSO, and Anne, elder daughter of Dr and Mrs T. H. Hills, of Church Hill House, Merchan Surrey. Merstham, Surrey.

Mr R. J. Chariton and Miss J. E. C. de Pass The engagement is aunounced between Roger, son of Mr and Mrs J. E. Charlton, of Culworth Fields, Banbury, Oxfordshire, and Clare, daughter of Lieutenant Commander and Mrs Robert de Pass, of New Grove, Petworth, Sussex.

Mr J. H. Davies and Miss J. E. Brown

The engagement is announced between Jeremy, younger son of Dr and Mrs J. G. Davies, of 4 Brizzy Park, Singapore, and Joanna, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs D. R. H. Brown, of 198 Turf Club, Singapore. Mr C. Hume and Miss S. M. Nolan The engagement is announced

between Charles, younger son of Mr and Mrs Donald Hume, of Hove, Sussex, and Shella, daughter of Mr and Mrs Michael Nolan, of

and Miss E. M. Dickle and Miss E. M. Dickie

The engagement is announced between Nicholas Peter Packer, FRCS, elder son of the late Dr and Mrs P. H. Packer, Swanley, Kent, and Elizabeth Marcella, only daughter of Dr and Mrs A; W. Dickie, Shamley Green, Tandragee, Northern Ireland.

Mr G. H. Rushing and Miss S. E. Verdon

The engagement is announced between Gary, eldest son of Mr Clint Rushing and the late Mrs Rushing, of Fresno, California, United States, and Sara, daughter of Mr and Mrs C. J. Verdon, of Button Mount, Essex.

Mr N. A. Seimes and Miss J. A. Macpherson and Miss J. A. Macpherson
The engagement is announced
between Nicholas Ashton, only
son of the lare Mr and Mrs
C. H. A. Selmes, and Jeunifer
Adela, elder daughter of the late
Mr D. R. de L. Macpherson and
Mrs Macpherson, of 44 Exeter
House, Putney Heath, London,
SW15.

Marriage Count de Moller and Mrs M. Bovell

The marriage took place in London on Tuesday, February 24, between Count André de Moller and Mrs Marien Bovell.

Latest appointments Latest appointments include: Mr A. S. Papadopoulos to be British Righ Commissioner to the

Bahamas. Lord Caldecote, Sir Kenneth Corfield, and Mr C. S. King to be members of the Advisory Council for Applied Research and Develop-

line, and thus contrasts with those stores of fat which provide reserve energy to drive the body's chemical processes.

Clues linking brown fat with obesity bave emerged during the past 18 months. There were already indications from studies of human subjects that some individuals could generate heat as a response to prefreeding without

way.

Then Dr M. J. Stock and Dr
N. J. Rothwell, of Sr George's experiments, and at the young age flospital, London, found that they

Barry (sister-in-law). Mr and Mrs Victor Kempher (brother-in-law) and sister-in-law). Mr Nigel Kempher. Lord and Lady Hastings. Sir Anton Doin, Sir Trenchard Cox, Lady Scott-Montrieff, Lady (Edgar) Bonham-Carter, Sir Anthony Lousada. Sir John Tooley (Royal Opera House). Dame Marie Rambert. Sir Joseph Lockwood. Miss B. Fenster Principal of the Reval Ballet School: and pupils: Miss Ferst Grey, Miss Phyllis Bedella. Miss Jean Bedells. Miss Wendy Toye. Mr John Field (London Festival Ballet). Miss Anna Vortheote. Miss Valerie Adams, Mr Gement Cripp. Mrs Bridget Haphors. Mr Richard Bleckle. Mr Gordon Anthony. Mr Biskie, Mr Gordon Anthony. Mr Bushie Burns. Mr Hendric Glassione Mr Broke. Mr Burns Held (London Festival Ballet). Mr Richard Glassione Mrs Fullet Broke. Mr School. Mrs Broke. Mr Burns Haphors. Mr Richard Glassione Mrs Child Mrs Richard Glassione Mrs Child. Mr Richard Glassione Mrs Royal Railet Benevolent Fund. Mrs Tamara Finch. Miss Jotec Carr (Challman. London Ballet Gircle) with Mr T. R. Newman also representing friends of Sadler's Wells: and Mr Michael Broderick.

Mr John Saunders (Royal Azademy of Dancling: Viss G. Riellock (Royal Azademy of Dancling)

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Guild. Mr Peter Person (Imperial Society of Iraches of Duclings, Mrs F Mountout Patient Society) with Mr Peter Parson (Imperial Society) with Mr Peter Wandson: Wr James P Silber Hamilton, Mr Mr Gillery, Mr Frederick Lingd (Chairman, Carrick Quib, and Mrs Llovd Mr Peter Hood (Edit Peter State) Dr Peter Routh, Mr Ned Trucy and Mrs D. Einton.

Parkamentary and Scientific Committee

The Prime Minister was the guest of honour at the annual luncheon of the Parliamentary and Scientific

of the Parliamentary and Scientific Committee at the Savoy Hotel yesterday. Earl Jellicoe, president of the committee, presided. The other guests included; The Earl of Halsbury, the Earl of Resident of Committee, presided. The other guests included; The Earl of Resident of Ashborne. Lord Caterman, OM. Lord Sherfield. Lord Callem of Ashborne. Lord Todd. OM. Lord Peere, Lord Lord College of Kigerran, Mr. Michael colling. Lord Todd. OM. Lord Peere, Lord Lord Millan, Mr. Professor Sir Benald Masons, Sir Denis Hooke, Professor Sir George Sir George Porter, Professor Sir George Porter, Professor Sir Benald Masons Sir Denis Rooke, Professor Sir George Porter, Professor Sir Benald Masons Sir Denis Rooke, Professor Sir George Porter, Professor Sir Ewart Jones, Mr Kenneth Baker, Mp. Mr. Nell Macharlanc, Mp. Dr. Gerrard Vaughan, Mp. Dr. U. S. Derire, Dr. Raibh Riley, Mr. J. L. Cowans, Dr. J. M. Ashworth, Dr. A. A. L. Challis, Dr. O. Simpson, Dr. Edward Purkes and Mr. Tam Palywil, Edward Purkes and Mr. Tam Palywil,

Auglo-Venezuelan Society Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, was the guest of honour at a luncheon given by members of the Anglo-Venezuelan Society at the Institute of Directors yester-day. The Venezuelan Ambassador, president; and Sir Anthony Royle, MP, chairman, received guests.

Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

Surveyors

Mr J. N. C. James, President of
the Royal Institution of Chartered
Surveyors, and members of the
general council, were hoses at a
luncheon held at 12 Great George
Street yesterday. The guests were:
The High Commissioner for Nigeria,
Earl Cadonan, Mr C. D. Townsond,
Mr C. Very, Rr Dr Edward Carpenter, Mr Y. P. R. Glya, Mr N. P.
Goodfon, Mr R. J. Pullen and
Mr E. W. Wright.

Junior Chamber of Commerce for

The Lord Mayor, Mr Reginald-Watts and the Vice-Chairman of the GLC, were entertained by Miss Stephanie Molyneux, presi-Miss Stephane Molyneus, president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce for London, at the annual truckeon held yesterday at the Mansion House. The Ambassador of South Africa, the Agent-General for South Australia and the National President of the British Junior Chamber were also present.

Dinners

Royal Television Society Royal Television Society
Sir Huw Wheldon, President of the
Royal Television Society, presided
at the journalism awards dinner
held at the Dorchester botel last
night. Other speakers were Lord
Thomson of Monifieth, Mr Phil
Sidey, chairman of council, and
Mr John Freeman, chairman of the
panel of judges.

nee Duke or Eminings, sendor honorary member, dined with the Smeatonian Society of Civil Engineers at the Institution of Civil Engineers yesterday, He was received by Professor A. W. Skempton, president, and Mr J. G. Witshire, hon treasurer, Members pressure included.

tom, president, and Mr J. G. Wik-shire, hon treasurer. Members present included:
Mr G. M. Bunie, Mr J. E. G. Palmer, Sir Victor Shepheard, Mr R. le G. Hetheringtom, Sir Henry Jonas, Mr G. R. C. Turner. Sir Angus Paton. Mr D. G. Coode, Mr R. Glossop, Sir Barier, Lard Mr D. G. Lancerenko, Mr D. G. Lancerenko, Rear-Admiral J. G. Watson, Professor Sir Alan Harris, Lord McAlpine of Moffat, Professor Sr. Aifred Pupsley, Mr F. D. Penny, Sir Norman Rowninge, Mr J. M. Campbell, Mr J. V. Bardett, Mr N. N. B. Ordman, Mr J. T. Galven, Mr S. A. Barnett, Mr J. M. S. Dechman, Mr J. T. Galven, Mr S. A. Barnett, Mr J. M. G. Mr J. McGalden, Sir Ove Arton Mr J. Pellersau.

Receptions Association of Lancastrians in .

reception at Middle Temple Hall last night for members of the Association of Lancastrians in London. She was received by Sir John Tilney, president, and Sir Joseph Cantley, Treasurer of Middle Temple, a past president, Among those present were: Lord Robens of Woldingham. Lord Cilinerve, Lord Racking, Sir Eric Cheadle, Sir Geoffrey Jackson, Sir Douglas Glover, the Hon Donald Rershaw and Mr Herbert Butler 'past presidents: Mr Derrick Jameson, Mr Leslie Caldwell. Mr Jim Schoffeld, Mr Jim Ron Young, Mr Jim Schoffeld, Mr Jim Price, Mise 'Thora Hird, Mr Kenneth Wolstenholme and Canon Young.

Lady Mayoress of Westminster

The Lord Mayor and Lady Mayor-ess of Westminster were hosts at a civic reception at City Hali yesterday evening. The guests included the Minister of State for Local Government, Members of Parliament for Westminster, members of the Distance of Cornel bers of the Diplomatic Corps and representatives in Westminster of the armed forces, the arts, church, education, law, medicine and trade unions and members and chief officers of the city council and

Westminster School The Head Master of Westminster School held a reception in Ashburaham House on Tuesday after the Henry Tizard Memorial Lecture given by Professor Sir Hans Kornberg, Professor C. A. Pasternak was in the chair.

English-Speaking Union

The Lord Mayor, accompanied by the Sheriffs and their ladies, was the speriffs and their routes, may the guest of honour at the George Washington Ball, arranged by the English-Speaking Union, at Gros-

Smeatonian Society of Civil Patrick Dean, Chairman of the English-Speaking Union, and Lady Dean and Mrs Wallace Burgis, honorary member, dined with the Smeatonian Society of Civil Engineers of Civil Engineers.

Service breakfast School of Ordnance

Colonel G. B. Hopkinson and officers of the School of Ordnance were hosts at a breakfast given for Brigadier M. J. Short on his relinquishing command of the RAOC Training Centre.

Service luncheon RAF Benson

Heads of departments of RAF Support Command Signals Head-quarters held a luncheon at RAF Benson yesterday to dine out Air Commodore D. A. Saunders, Air Commodore Signals, Group-Captain H. Baxter presided.

Service dinners 2nd KEO Goorkhas

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The Prince of Wales, Colonel in
Chief of the Regiment, was the
guest of honour at a dinner given
by officers of the 2nd KEO Goorkhas (The Sirmoor Rifles) in the
Officers' Mess of the 1st Battalion
at Queen Elizabeth Barracks,
Church Crookham, yesterday
evening, General Sir Edwin
Bramail, Colonel of the Regiment,
presided and Mr John Nott, MP,
was among the 30 serving and retired officers who were present. tired officers who were present.

Oxford University RN Officer

Undergraduates:

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Levin, Chiel of the Defence Staff, and Sir Richard Southern, President of St John's College, Oxford, were the guests of honour at the annual mess dinner of the Royal Naval Officer Undergraduates at Oxford University held at Trinity College yesterday. Sob-Lifeutenant N. I. Bourne presided. The guests included:

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Mr Anthony Quinte, President of Drinity College, Professor Michael Howard, Vice-Admiral Sir Peter Grenton, Reas-Admiral I, W. Jamieson, College, Colmonander B. D. Hontes, Commander P. J. Simmonds, Commander P. J. Simmonds, Contral Lentenshi-Cologie A. G. M. Curits and Squadron Leader M. G. Marwell. Bristol University Air Squadron

Bristol University Air Squadron Bristol University Air Squadron beid an anniversary dinner in the Officers' Mess RAF Locking yesterday, The Commanding Officer, Squadron Leader A. W. Garroch, presided. Mr E. B. Trubshaw was the guest of honour and other principal guests included:
Sir Alea Merrison vice-chancellor, Bristol University, Air Chief Marsha Sir Douglas Lows, Controller of Air-craft, Ministry of Defence. Mr F. C. Ponstord, Chief Phy Officer Avon and Somerser, and Air Vice-Marshal B. Bruwnlow, Air Officer Commandiae and Commandata RAP College Cranwoll

Science report

Nutrition: Brown fat queried

By the .Staff of Nature Two scientists writing in this week's Nature issue a warning against premature interpretation of recent attractive ideas linking obesity to the body's inherent ability to dissipate energy in the form of heat.

Professor G. R. Hervey and Dr G. Tobin, of Leeds University, believe that until some basic experiments are more convencingly.

ments are more convincingly demonstrated, it is unsafe to con-clude that the excess energy consumed during overeating has any fate other than to be laid down

fats other than to be laid down for storage.

That issue has come to the fore in the past 18 months, as several old and new lines of evidence have been brought together in a temptingly satisfying way. The issue centres on brown fat, which is found in various parts of the body, such as between the shoulder blades and around the kidneys. kidneys.
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Those deposits have long been thought of as a ready source of heat, especially in animals waking from hibernation and in newborn babies, although it was only two years ago that Canadian work showed that definitely to be so.

Brown fat responds very rapidly by generating heat when stimulated by the hormone noradrenaline, and thus contrasts with those stores of fat which provide reserve

response to overfeeding without becoming obese. But a detailed study had not been possible be-cause laboratory animals could not be induced to overeat in the same

could use the "cafeteria" method to induce rats to supplement their normal laboratory diet with delicacies such as bananas, biscuits and popcorn, increasing their voluntary imtake of energy by up to 80 per cent. Like the human subjects, those rats did not all become obese.

Dr Stock and Dr Rothwell measured the energy consumed by the rats, and the amount stored, and they calculated the amount dissipated. Their results indicated to them that heat was being generated in response to overeasing.

They identified the sixt of the care of the subjects, they consider, may differ from that of adults. Professor Hervey and Dr Tobin believe that measurements of the sort made by Dr Stock and Dr Rothwell are fraught with difficulties and pirfalls.

They consider that energy expenditure cannot be measured between energy consumed and energy stored because errors will build up unchecked. Until energy expenditure is actually measured, they believe, a true picture will not be obtained.

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earing.
They identified the site of that

so-called dier-induced thermoso-called dier-induced thermogenesis as the brown fat. Another clue to the role of the brown fat had come from work with mice that have an inherited tendency to become obese; apparently their brown fat is less efficient than that of normally lean mice.

It was immediately tempting to see in those results a significance for people who become obese as a result of overeating. Could it be that they have a defect in their brown fat and cannot dissipate the excess energy consumed?

There is still no direct evidence that brown fat produces beat in

that brown fat produces heat in adult humans, as Dr. P. Trayhurn and Dr. W. P. T. James, of Cambridge University, point out in the current issue of Nutrition Bulletin.

While discussing the evidence housing towards a role for thermopointing towards a role for thermo-genesis in the control of obesity, they caution that there is a long way to go before the possibility is Professor Hervey and Dr Tobin rotessor hervey and Dr Tobin believe that better evidence is required that diet-induced thermogenesis occurs at all before it is worth considering its, association with brown fat and human obesity. In their contribution to Nature, they express concern at some of the procedures used by Dr Stock and Dr Rothyall in their laws.

25 years ago

From The Times of Salunday, February 25, 1956
Washington, Feb 24.—Mr Dulles, the Secretary of State, said today that President Eisenhower was willing that the United States should join in guaranteeing agreed boundaries between Israel and her Arab neighbours. Mr Dulles was

neighbours. Mr Dulles was appearing before the Senate

appearing octors the senate to explain the administration's policies for dealing with the critical situation in the Middle East. He said that the President

has also authorized him to say that he would recommend that the United States contribute to irriga-

United States contribute to irriga-tion and water development projects in the area. On guarantee-ing borders, Mr Dulles said: Given a solution to other related problems, the President has further indicated his willingness to recommend that the United States join in formal treaty en-agreements to revent or theart

gagements to prevent or thwart any effort by either side to alter by force the boundaries between Israel and its Arab neighbours.

satisfactorily from the difference between energy consumed and energy stored because errors will build up unchecked. Until energy expenditure is actually measured, they believe, a true picture will not be obtained.

Last October, Professor Hervey and Dr Tobin amounced at a meeting on Capri that they had measured energy expenditure in two situations in which rats were induced to overeat; in one case they were fed by tube and in the other by the cafeteria method. In neither have the two scientists

other by the cafeteria method. In neither have the two scientists found any significant increase in energy expenditure as a result of the overfeeding.

Dr Stock and Dr Rothwell defend their own, different results and their procedures, as well as their animals, which they say were all mature, ranging in age from "young adult" to almost

"young adult" to almost middle aged ". They point out that diet-induced thermogenesis was first observed long before their own, work began, and that they claim only to have linked it with brown fat.

Priofessor Hervey and Dr Tobin were unhappy at the speed with Priofessor Hervey and Dr. Addition were unhappy at the speed with which the latest ideas about brown fat were translated into popular and applied to human

terms and applied to human obesity. Their discussion with Dr Stock and Dr Rothwell this week may set some people thinking again. Source: Nature. 19 February (volume 289, page 699) 1981; Nutrition Bulletin, January (volume 6, no 1, page 15) 1981.

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War service pay . .

Mr George William Holderness, of Braunton, Devon, newspaper editor and proprietor, left estate valued at 558,845 net. He left to

Latest wills

returned '

housing action area in Manchester, a community garden in Bolton and a riverside site at Macclesfield. Prizes totalling I2,500 are being offered, to artists resident in Britain, for Ideas and designs which could include murals and sculptures as well as more wideranging proposals. While North West Arts is unable to guarantee that funds will be available to commission all the winning entries, it said that it would make every effort to ensure that as much sultable work as possible was completed. McLaughlin, Mrs Florence Lilian, of Guernsey, estate in England and Wales . . . £147,360 Mudd, Mr Arthur William, of North Mymms, Hertfordshire

Richards, Mr Tom Lewis, of Stan-Seward, Mr Albert John, Brockley, London, Intestate £153,321

valued at £58,845 net. He left to the Chancellor of the Exchequer £750 representing his pay as a private soldier and an officer during the First World War and £2,763 received as an officer during the Second World War, "it being my desire not to receive any financial benefit for the little service I was neglected in moder. any financial benefit for the little service I was privileged to render my beloved country." He left £500 to his old school, King Edward VI Grammar School, Spilsby, for pupils to visit Germany to promote friendship with the people of that country. Other estates include (net, before dury mid): Kent £222,630 Walton, Mr Albert Leslie, of Hen-Walton, Mr Albert Leane, Oxfordshire 5280.763

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OBITUARY

SIGNOR MARIO CAMERINI Doyen of Italian film directors

Signor Mario Cameriui, who fashionable life—at any rate in died on February 6, his 86th the cinema. Camerini went on birthday, was the doyen of to turn these out at the rate of Italian film directors, famed two or three a year, and was largely as the virtual creator reunited with de Sica as star in and the most successful exponent of the so-called "white telephone" school of Italian Magazzini (1939); indeed, de film-making during the 1930s.

World War interrupted his studies and in 1920 he took up an invitation from his cousin, the leading silent film-maker Augusto Genina, to work as his cinema as Camerini's assistant, assistant. He learnt quickly, as did the director Renato and could turn his hand to almost anything. Within three years he was directing (and moved on to more obviously usually writing) his own films, ambitious projects, like his starting with Jolly—Clown da screen version of the classic Circo. The 1920s were a period novel J Promessi Sposi (1941), of artistic decline for the Italian cinema, and though Camerini was quite prolific, his films did not travel far until things took on a new lease of life with the advent of sound. He then directed one of the superficially, and he remained first big hits of the Italian after the war the director par sound cinema, Gli Uomini che excellence of the big stars in Mascalzoni! (Men Are Such big vehicles, by Italian star. Rascals, 1932), which united dards, that is. For though he him for the first time with the up and coming actor Vittorio de national spectacle, directing Sica, a handsome fellow who revealed in this film a keen revealed in this film a keen script War and Peace in 1956, sense of stylish comedy and most of his films were designed became instantly Italy's number one film star. The success of the film

By Geraldine Norman
Sale Room Correspondent
Two oak tables estimated by
Sotheby's Belgravia to fetch about
fi20. to fi80 each, were bought by
Jeremy Cooper, the London
dealer, for £2,500 and £3,100 yesterday. With the pressure of cataloguing 136 separate lots in time
for the sale of English furniture
and works of art, the cataloguer
had missed the importance of
these two pieces.
Cooper was not alone in noticing what they had missed, Haslam
and Whiteway, specialist
in the Arts and Crafts period,
were the underbidders; a determined private collector, Gerald
Larner, was also in the bidding.
The tables bear a clue to their
identity, the label of F. G. Nielsen. In the early years of this
century Nielsen was the main
cabinetmist designer Charles Annesley Voysey to interpret his
designs. Although he was a
pioneer, very few pieces of Voysey
furniture survive. The design for
these tables, however, survives in
the Royal Institute of British
Architects' library. Scribbled
across the drawing in Voysey's
hand are the words "no nails or
screws to be used in construction".

Most of the standard works ou
Arts and Crafts furniture include proved to be no fluke, for de Sica, Camerini or the whole genre of films it helped to define: glossy, romannic comedies and emotional dramas set among the prosperous upper last few years in comfortable middle classes and taking as retirement, honoured as a their hallmark the deco white grand old man of Italian telephone, a sine qua non of cinema.

two of their biggest hits, Il Signor Max (1937) and I Grandi Sica's own first important film Camerini was born in Rome as a director, I Bambini Guar-in 1895, and was intended for dano (1943), owed a lot to the law, but service in the First Camerini and the style he had pioneered, while de Sica's regular script collaborator and theoretician of Neo-Realism. Cesare Zavattini, began in the Castellani.

With the 1940s Camerini moved on to more obviously ambitious projects, like his screen version of the classic as well as continuing to make lightweight comedies and dramas. The vogue for Neo-Realism and shooting on real streets with non-professional actors influenced him only very Ulusses in 1954 and helping to primarily for home audiences and rarely got much farther. His last film was the last Don Camillo film to date, Don Camillo e i Giovani d'Oggi (1972), but he seems to have had little actual sympathy with giovani d'oggi, and lived his

PROFESSOR H. B. HALL

Mr N. J. Lamb, Spain Lecturer field of Spanish romanticism as in Portuguese and Spanish, well as the novels of Perez writes:

Galdos, was his work over the

late Professor Allison Pears, in 1941. After war service in the Intelligence Cerps he was highest standards. appointed assistant lecturer in A man of an returned to Liverpool as Lecturer in Spanish, was sub-sequently promoted to senior lecturer and in 1978 was appointed to the Chair, an the Association of Hispanists.

His outstanding contribution He is survived by his widow, to Hispanic Studies, in addition Elizabeth (nee Colquhoun), and to his original researches in the two sons.

The death on February 16, at the age of 60, of Professor H. B. Hall, after an all too brief tenure of the Glimour Chair of and then as editor. His wide Liverpool, is a grievous foss to

Hispanic Studies and a source of Hispanic cultures

The true as editor. His wide knowledge not only of things

Spanish but of the whole range of Hispanic cultures

of deep sorrow to a wide size. Mispanic Studies and a source of Hispanic cultures, particularly those of Catalonia and of friends. or rriends.

From Alsop High School he went to Liverpool University where he graduated, under the late Professor Allison Passage and proverhies the particular portugal, made him ideally suited to the editorship. His unfailing conscientlousness, his advice and proverhies the particular portugal, made him ideally suited to the editorship. His advice and proverhies the particular portugal, made him ideally suited to the editorship. His advice and proverhies the particular portugal, made him ideally suited to the editorship. His arrive these of Catalonia and portugal, made him ideally suited to the editorship. His arrive those of Catalonia and portugal, made him ideally suited to the editorship. His arrive those of Catalonia and portugal, made him ideally suited to the editorship. His arrive the particular portugal, made him ideally suited to the editorship. His advice and provenies to the editorship and provenies to the editorship and provenies to the editorship. His advice and provenies to the editorship and provenies to the editor the editor than the editor that the editor that the editor that the editor than the edit ensured the maintenance of the

A man of an endearing appointed assistant returned to which he soon modesty, he found it hard to believe that he was so highly versity of Leeds. In 1949 he regarded both on academic and returned to Liverpool as personal grounds by so many people both at nome and abroad. It was impossible for him to put himself or his own interests before the welfare and satisfaction to colleagues throughout the country. As a teacher and as a wise, friendly and trustworthy counsellor, he will be remembered with affection by generations of students. He was an active and enthusiastic founder-member of the Accountment when the country. As a department which could have few rivals for harmony, friend-liness and willing cooperation. By his life and work Haroid that the Accountment of the Accountment of the country.

MR DENIS BETHELL

on February 15 at the age of 46. Educated at Sherborne and

at Lincoln College, Oxford (where he took first-class honours), he had taught first at Stonyhurst, and then at Reading University before his appointment to Dublin in 1966. A man of exceptionally wide sympa-thies, who had become a Roman Catholic in the course of studying church history, and who was a devoted teacher of undergraduates, he had a special contribution to make in modern Ireland's national university.
His professor, F.X. Martin,

soon spotted his quality and gave him the support he needed when he became the moving spirit behind plans for an interdisciplinary graduate school in Studies in Medieval History". medieval studies. As an established ecclesiastical historian he had a very wide acquaint-ance among scholars in British universities, and he made the and generosity, and an un-seminars which he organized in limited fund of kindly humour.

Mr Denis Bethell, Statutory Dublin, and his reading parties Lecturer in medieval history at at Hawarden and elsewhere, Lecturer in medieval history at at Hawarden and elsewhere, University College, Dublin, died into a major channel of communication between scholars working in his field in the United Kingdom and in the Republic of Ireland.

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In Dublin his visiting speakers were entertained in the decaying magnificence of his flat in Monkstown, looking out over Dublin Bay, and his hospitality there was in the Irish tradition, unstituted. Inevitably, given such an un-usually busy life, he knew much more than he wrote; nevertheless, he found time to translate Y. Renouard's Avignon Papacy, to compose a number of lucid and elegant articles on twelfthcentury church history, and to launch as editor Macmillans

highly-successful series. "New A deeply modest man, he was loved on both sides of St George's Channel by all who knew him for his forthrightness

MR GERALD DALY Mr Gerald Daly, Engineer-in- involved with the movement out

He joined the BBC in 1925 and after two years at Savoy

Hill became Engineer in Charge at Gloucester where there was a relay station. When it was decided to move to Bristol he was asked to find a suitable site. While getting petrol at a gar-age in Whiteladies Road on a Sunday, he saw a To Let sign on a building opposite. As the agent was not to be found he made an entry in through a coal cellar, and the BBC West Region was born.

Charge, BBC West Region from of London of several BBC 1934 to 1960, has died at the age of \$3.

Children's Hour, Variety and Music. including the entire BBC Symphony Orchestra. He helped to form the BEC's own Home Guard with Sir Adrian Boult, Paul Beard, the violinist, and Stuart Hibberd, the chief announcer, among those in the ranks. After the war Daly played a

leading role in the development and expansion of radio and tele-vision in the BBC in Bristol, He was responsible for the first live radio transmission from a submarine on the sea bed and the first live television commentary

During the war he was closely from a helicopter in flight. Mr E. G. E. (Eddie) Griffith, of both, having officiated at

MR E. G. E. GRIFFITH

noss, was a noted acricultural-British Friesian Society and Ministry liaison officer for North Wales. He took a great interest in

politics and spoke for the Con-servative candidate. He was an honorary vice-president of the Royal Agricultural Society of England, where he had judged both the Burke (beef) and the Bledisoe (dairy) Trophies—a rate distinction.

He was born at Plasnewydd in 1990 and lived there throughout his life, in his younger days he hunted with the Heythrop and he always took an immense interest in horses and popies, and was a noted judge

of Plasnewydd, Trefnant, every major show for the last Clwyd, who died in Denbigh on 50 years—indeed, once when February 21, after a long ill-the goat judge failed to turn the goat judge failed to turn up he judged them too! He ist and breeder of Friesian was president of the Hunters' cattle who was president of the Improvement Society in 1967 and twice president of the National Pony Society. He and his late wife had no

children.

Rachel Lady Clay, widow of Sir Felix Clay, fifth baronet, died on February 24. She was 98. She was the daughter of the Rt Hon Henry Hobbouse, sometime MP for East Somerset, and she was married in Her husband died in

Lady Ainley, wife of Sir John Ainley, MC, died on February 22. She was Mona Sybil Wood. and her marriage took place in



of Cruyff

acts as assistant on the coaching staff of Ajax while playing second division football for DS 79, who earlier this season appeared at Cheisea, where speculation began that he wanted to play in Eng-land. Even if he does play in Spain, he is expected to return to the United States for the

Another transfer slow to be resolved reached fulfilment last night when the Nortingham Forest midfield player Martin O'Neill joined Norwich City for a club record fee of £350,000. Norwich raised the money by selling a full back, Bond, to Seattle Sounders

England go for

England have named an experienced party of 16 players

experienced party of 16 players for the European youth championship qualifying round match against Northern Ireland in Belfast on March 11.

Wales have also named a 16-strong party for their second leg match, against the Republic of Ireland at Tolka Park, Dublin, on March 10. The first leg at Swansea ended in a 2-2 draw after the Irish had scored twice in the first three minutes.

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ENGLAND: Westwood (Ipswich)
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chester City), Corben (Toffenhar
Hotspur), Hawker (Birmissham City)
Pholan (Burnley), Brooks (Cryste
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Dazed Dalglish lifts confused Scots Leicester's

Israel 0 Scotland 7 Kenny Dalglish, Scotland's most

Israel 0 Scotland I Kenny Dalglish, Scotland's most capped player, removed the threat of another World Cup failure by scoting the crucial second half goal which beat Israel in Tel Avivesterday. As the memory of the humiliarius 1—1 draw with Iran in Argentina two years ago loomed over the Scots, Dalglish squeezed in Robertson's corner after 54 minutes to spare the blushes of his colleagues.

The Liverpool striker, making his 78th appearance for Scotland, crowned a remarkable second half transformation after the Scots had been turned and iwisted throughout the first half by Israel's effective use of the through ball. If Tabak and Danni, Israel's strikers, had shown any shooting accuracy, Scotland would not now be sharing top position in group six with Portugal.

Had Dalglish had his way, though he might not have gone out for the second half. He came into the dressing room at the interval complaining of dizziness. Jock Stein, Scotland's manager, said; "I decided to give him 10 minutes after the interval to see how he managed, In that time he scored the goal, although he could hardly see at the time. That's why I took him off later,"

It was not Mr Stein's only problem at half-time, He decided to bring on Willie Miller to play alongside his Aberdonian partner, Alex McLeish, and moved Kenny Euros to bolster the sagging mid-

Alex McLeish, and moved Kenny Burns to bolster the sagging mid-field. The new formula was an instant success Miller and McLeish may not

Miller and McLeish may not have managed to give the Scottish defence the stability it desperately required but Burns's ball-winning prowess increased the frequency of the Scottish raids, so few and far between in the first half, Dalglish, showing a repewed appetite for his work and twice made telling runs, only to be aught offside, but Scotland's pressure paid off after 54 minutes.

Robertson, who had moved from Robertson, who had moved from the left to the right wing and was sariier booked for dissent by the Romanian referee, sent over a coping corner kick which was macked down by McLeish into

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An instant goal by Gary Shaw
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England brought on all five of ter substitutes, and freland used to of their three. Only Hendermo of the 30 names on the team

on the so hames on the team not given a run and e must have wondered what he ad done to blot his copybook. his was surely carrying experient to excess and it is little conder that the match was so isjointed, with neither side able

o construct saything very meanigful and few players doing anying to improve their chances
I promotion to the senior teams.
Shaw, who has scored 17 goals



Outnumbered and outplayed: Archibald (left) is tackled by Nissim Cohen (2) Machness during Scotland's muddled first half in the Ramat Gan Stadium.

The star of the Scottish side was Alan Rough, Partick Thistie's goal-keeper, whose series of excellent saves in the first half kept the game alive long enough for Scotland to make their revival. Time and again the often criticized Rough visked life and limb to save at the feet of the original research. save at the feet of the quicksilver Israeli strackers, whose only fail-ing was their inability to apply the finishing touch.

Too many players and too few supporters

the path of Dalglish, who scored field role after the break and from close range. Dalglish soon Dalglish showed flashes of the made way for Andy Gray, having form he regularly displays in a carried out the job Mr Stein bad Liverpool shirt. Until Burns's Liverpool shirt. Until Burns's arrival in midfield, the Scottish captain, Arthie Gemmill, had been unusually out of touch and Steve Arthibaid, of Tottenham Hotspur, made an insignificant contribution.

Mr Stein later admitted: "The first half was a shambles but we cook out change when it came and again the often criticized took our chance when it came, Rough visked life and limb to ave at the feet of the quicksilver is made at the feet of the quicksilver is morry for Israel, who played well out got nothing in return. However, I'm hoping they'll do us turn when Portugal come to play here next.

Group six

Woodcock finds

Yesterday's results

GBY UNION: Cambridge Univer-Anti-Assassing 27; Newport 7, pridd 12; Plymouth Albion 12. hampionship: Semi-Loughborough 2, horough won on carre time.) Lon-loford 6, London

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Eye defect puts Rose out of England tour

From John Woodcock
Georgetown, Feb 25
As if the loss of Bob Willis and countless hours of cricket were not enough, the English team is now to lose Brian Rose, who will leave for home on the first convenient flight with a "visual defect" in his right eye. There is also a delicate situation developing regarding Robin Jackman's cricketing connexions with South Africa.

By Norman Fox
Football Correspondent
Leiceser City's hopes of obtaining the celebrated Dunch international Johan Cruyff last night appeared to have taded in much the same way as the aspirations of previous prospective purchasers in England and abroad. Cruyff had said he would give his reply to the Leicester manager, Jock Wallace, but announced on Radio Hilversum that he had signed to play for a Spanish team, Levante. The offer from Leicester was said to have been worth up to \$5,000 a match until the end of the season. Mr. Wallace said on the season. Mr. Wallace said on the season of ing regarding Robin Jackman's cricketing connexions with South Africa.

Rose visited a specialist here yesterday who was sufficiently concerned by what he found to call for a second opinion. This confirmed that Rose's sight is not what it should be—especially when he needs it to locate a hard ball in bright light travelling at 90 mph—and there was no option but to recommend his return. Both specialists believe that the condition will be quite easily corrected by spectacles or contact lenses. It was at St Vincent when Rose had trouble reading the scoreboard from the pavilion that suspicions were first aroused. He has not been batting well—but he put that down to a lack of form. He has also been less than his usual reliable self in the field, but that too could have been due to the loss of confidence which comes from not making runs.

In Australia last winter, while whating club cricket in Perth. Rose

loss of confidence which comes from not making runs,

In Australia last winter, while playing club cricket in Perth, Rose received a hairline fracture of the right cheek. Whether this started off the trouble is a matter of conjecture, It is rotten luck for him—and for his wife, too. She was also due to join him in Barbados in 10 days' time, when Mrs Willis was also due to join her husband. Rose's replacement—and there will definitely be one—may be amounced tomorrow. The chances are that it will be Bill Athey, of Yorkshire, with Richard Williams, of Northamptonshire as a less likely possibility. Athey, like Williams, would have ro fly from Sydney where he is fulfilling a Club contract, He is 23 and played in the Centenary Test math at Lord's last season. If he does come if will be finto a burning fiery furnace.

It was probably inevitable that at some time or other on the tour that the question of South Africa would crop up, with Guyana

and Jamaica as the likeliest flash and Jamaica as the likeliest flash points. Someone somewhere has crawn the attention of the Guyanese government to the fact that in the seventics Jackman spent several winters playing cricket in South Africa. If it comes to that, Ken Barrington, the team's assistant manager, as well as Gower, Downton and Bairstow have also played here, as of course has Beycott, who had a holiday in Johannesburg shortly before coming to the West Indies.

as of course has Beycott, who had a holiday in Johannesburg shortly before coming to the West Indies. At the moment the Guyanese Government are merely asking questions. Should they demand an undertaking that Jackman will not be chosen to play in Saturday's Test match they will not get one. The tour would be ended rather than any such guarantee be given. Anyway, if Jackman, why not the others, in the team who have played in South Africa?

I doubt whether Guyana will so court the unpopularity of Barbados and Antigun as to risk endangering the remainder of the tour—but these are political waters of many currents. Alan Smith, manager of the Eugland team, has spent some time today in consultation with Philip Mallet, the British High. Commissioner to Guyana, in government circles Smith has yet to encounter anyone more senior than Roy Fredericks, the former West Indian Test player and now the Minister of Sport.

To add to England's woes the Bourda Oval is still unfit, so that rather than meeting Guyana in the intended one-day game they have been driven for the second day running to practising among themselves on the Police ground. What prevented Bourda from being used was something like half an prevented Bourda from being used was something like half an acre of mud at one end, behind the bowler's arm but near enough for the fast bowlers to have had

there was any measurable rain in Georgetown, which will give an idea of the extraordinary prob-lems of draining the Bourda The match at the Police oval

was a 40-over affair, properly organized and watched by several thousand people, with each side

Indian batsmen lose chance

25.—India's batsmen today scorned the chance of victory set up by their bowlers when they mustered only 190 in their second innings, to lose the first Test against New Zealand by 62 runs.

Needing 253 to win, India were all out 20 minutes before the close of the fourth day, having failed to cope with New Zealand's seam stack. Richard Hadlee made ip for his failure to take a first innings wicket by capturing 4 for 64 and Gary Tromp, Martin Snedden and Lance Cairns took two wickets each.

The poor Indian batting followed India's batsmen today scorned

two wickets each.

The poor Indian batting followed the spirited performance by the touring team's bowlers on Monday, when they shot New Zealand out for 100 in their second imnings to set up an unexpected chance of a second successive Test victory. In Melbourne two weeks ago. India upset Australia by 59 runs to share the series.

India's tunings was soon in dis-India's innings was soon in disstray this morning, with Chauhan.
Gavaskar and Viswanath all
howled as the score slumped to 50
for three. A fourth wicket fell at
74 but there followed the only
spell of Indian ascendancy as
Patil and Azad joined in an enterprising fifth wicket stand.
Hadlee broke the partnership
at 111 when he produced a yorker

to knock over Azad's middle stump and when Paull was out for 41, one of seven victims in the match for New Zealand's naw wicketkeeper Ian Smith, India were nearly down and out.

Only some spirited railend batting remained, with Brinny and Shastri putting on 34 for the ninth wicket. Shiny and last man, Yograj Singh, held out for one and three-quarter hours before the final wicket [el].

Binny finished with 25 not out: wicker [ell.

Binny finished with 26 not out;

Shastri, who is 19, scored 19 to
go with his seven wickers. Shastri was making his Test debut

NEW TWALAPIT: First lunings, 373 (C. Howarth 137; E. Shastri 4-54) and 100 (Kapil Dev 4-34) inblai First lunings, 233 (S. M. Paill 64; E. L. Gaims 8-33),

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Samaranch gives ultimatum

From Ivor Davis
Los Angeles, Feb 25
Juan Antoni Samaranch, the
president of the International

Cup problems for Keighley as

By Keith Macklin
With five days to go before their cup visit to Feetherstone Rovers, Keighley have lost their manager, Albert Fearnley, a former Halifax and Batley player, who has had a long career in management with various clubs. He has resigned for health reasons.

Feasons.

For the match at Featherstone on Sunday in the second round of the Challenge Cup, sponsored by Three Fives, the Keighley team will be managed by the coach, Bak Diabira, who, like Fearnley, joined Keighley from Blackpool Borough.

Scottish Rugby Union player. The player concerned has not yet played for Scotland, but has been named in their shadow squad. Although Wigan are not particularly optimistic about landing his catch, the club's general manager, Alan Faveett, hinted that transfer news involving another incoming player could be announced today.

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by Dyson was built up down the left by Hodgson and Fenwick and, when the centre came in low, Bonnar was up and down twice to block shors from McMahon and the interval and Hesford, whose brother plays Rugby Union, was soon in action, showing safe hands to clutch a lo w centre from Anton Whelan and then making a fine close-range save from Donovan. With the remaining replacements appearing within another 20 minutes, England's cohesion was scarcely improved, although Proctor began to provide more incisive vision in midfield.

Rophar managed to scramble one block shors from McMahon and Chapman before Shaw beat him. The Irish defence was reopened several times, but that early promise of riches proved to be totally illusory.

Ireland had a word or two for themselves, Donovan and Ron Whelen shooting over and Atkinson extending Lukic to his considerable length with a fine long shot. England needed somebody in midfield to calm the game, although, in the first half at any rate, there was always a bint that Bonnar managed to scramble on

the interval and Hesford, whose

of his centres away from Hodgson and Proctor then put Fachanu away with a superb through pass. There should have been a better There should have been a better outcome than a shot into the crowd. It became steadily harder to discern any pattern to the game, but at least the Irish continued to battle away

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Rugby Union

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Irish tourists

rate, there was always a hint that more goals might come. Anton Whelan cleared off the line when Smith, the impressive Sheffield Wednesday defender, headed in a corner from Moses and Shaw, with his delicate touch on the ball, headen to accord the sufficient Headen the sufficient began to assert his authority. He was wide with a couple of shors and headed on a centre for Chapman to his the side netting.

The best chance of the first half fell to Bodgson when, after Shaw, who has scored 17 goals or Aston Villa this season, proded flashes of genuins skill at, sadiy, was one of those to be placed. Liverpool's ground had ghostly air, with fewer than 000 present, and there was hitle make them forget the bitter did.

The opening was suspicious for ngland. Shaw scoring within a nuple of minutes. A move begun that fell to Hodgson when, after a mistake by McDonagh, Shaw and McMahon combined to give him a chance on the right. Once again the Irish defence was caught short the Irish defence was caught short the Irish defence was caught to the Irish de

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Italy XI 0 Rest of Europe 3

Tony Woodcock, the England striker, now playing for FC Cologne, scored the third goal for a "Rest of Europe" team in the Clympic stadium in Rome last night. The match, watched by a crowd of 15,000 was played to raise funds for victims of the earthquake in southern Italy last November.

November,
Simonsen, the Danish striker,
opened the scoring in the 33rd
minute, but the game was played
at a slow pace for most of the
first half. Both teams seemed
to make more of an effort after
the interval

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Cowley schoolboys must handle rather than kick—and are undefeated to boot

French accent that is on the running game

From Ray Kennedy
Johannesburg, Feb 25
Ireland will play at least four
multi-racial teams on their sevenmatch tour of South Africa this
summer. The itinerary for the
tour, to which the Republic of
Ireland Government is opposed,
was announced today by Alex
Kellerman, secretary of the South
African Rugby Board.
Two internationals will be
played between Ireland and South
Africa in Cape Town on May 30
and on June 6 in Durban. The
tour opens in Pretoria on May
16 with a match against the South
African maional under-25 side.
The other games will be against
a South African mining team, a
President's Trophy Team, a
Country Districts "B" team and
a Gold Cup team.
Mr Kellerman said the mining Such is Cowley's success that one might be forgiven for presuming that they had embraced a new and revolutionary educational system, whereby promising 12-year-olds were taken off academic studies and subjected to full-time rugby under the school's distinguished coach, Ray French, a former England lock and British Rugby League player. Rugby League player.

Those who have read this excellent coaching book, newly published by Faber and Faber, will instantly diagnose the difference between his intelligent, dedicated approach and blind fanaticism. Mr French, is quick to affirm how infinitely Cowley rugby is indebted to a team of 12 keen and competent coaches, There is no trace of the one-man band.

Founded: in 1712 as a private

President's Trophy Team, a Country Districts "B" team and a Gold Cup team.

Mr Kellerman said the mining team would be selected from white, black and colonred players from leading gold mine company teams. The President's Trophy competition was started in 1935 by the Black South African Rugby Association, and in 1979 whites were invited to join it. Mr Kellerman said the team to play the tourists would be selected from white, coloured and black players for the first time in history. He said the Country Districts "B" team and the Gold Cup team—a competition begun by the coloured South African Rugby Federation in 1959—would also be racially mixed.

This summer's tour is facing severe opposition in Ireland from both the Government and anti-spartheid groups. The frish Rugby Football Union have said they will not change their minds although they insisted on playing a minimum of three racially mixed teams. Despite that stipulation, however, a handful of players, including Tony Ward and Donal Spring, have told the selectors they are unwilling to tour.

There have been fears in South Africa that the tour would be jeopardized by Pretoria City Council's decision to ban multi-racial soccer at a municipally-owned stadium, but so far the threats have failed to materialize. However, a new row, which could have serious repercussions.

threats have failed to materialize. However, a new row, which could have serious repercussions, is developing over the participation of coloured schoolboys in the annual Craven week trials. Several Afrikaans high schools on the Bast Rand have said they will forbid their boys to take part this year. Dr. Gerrit Viljoen, the Minister of National Education, has attempted to defuse the sluation by stating that boys taking part in the trials do so voluntarily as individuals tringerary: May 16 v South African under-25 team. Pretoria: May 20 v South African mining team. Potchef-stroom; May 23 v President's trophy leam. Fast London: May 25 v Compy leam. Fast London: May 25 v Count Africa. Cabe Town: June 2 v Cold Cup team. Ondishoom; June 6 v South Africa. Durban.

When a young rugby player at Cowley's School, St Belens, has the tree first XV.

Six Cowleians have played for and terrible, He is sent off. He planed to return but the point has been made, Rugby is a running game.

Such is Cowley's success that off the school.

Such is Cowley's success that and A Lalithwaite—were old boys one might be forgiven for presenting that they had embraced a Cowleians have played at county is successful a fund-raiser, as he is a coach.

The school and its well-wishers

level.

When Cowley went comprehensive, the question was whether the school's standard and status would be maintained. Those of us who have seen this season's side and their contribution to Lancashire and the North's 19-group can have little doubt as to the answer. The current side, which predictably contributes the missionary brand of running rugby, won all 22 of their games and did not concede a try.

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approach and blind fanaticism. Mr French, is quick to affirm how infinitely Cowley rugby is indebted to a team of 12 keen and competent coaches. There is no trace of the one-man band.

Founded in 1712 as a private school. Cowley became a grammar school and, in 1968, went fully comprehensive. The school's enviable rugby tradition had grown and prospered since a Mr Varrish, the headmaster in 1912, had opted to change from football to rugby. a game "more suited to the young sentlemen of Cowley". Since that

successful a fund-raiser, as he is a coach.

The school and its well-wishers have raised £80,000 sinca 1972 and, among the 32 activities listed in the Australian tour brochure are an international match, a sportsman's dinner and, captivatingly, a sale of conkers, When the boys fly to Australia on July 10, they will be carrying with them two and a half years of hard work, preparation and £32,000.

Mr French is a happy man, though that may not be immediately apparent if one observes the gannt, apocalyptic figure, crowned with symbolic flat cap, stationed in brooding isolation behind the goalposts when his beloved side are playing. Has he ever thought seriously of throwing his hat (or his flat cap) into the ring for a headmastership and leaving the school? The answer is succinct and uncompromising. "Not on your life. I couldn't bear the thought of anyone else coaching Cowley."



Steve Elliott Ray French: Rugby Union international.

Beaumont to lead invitation side in South Africa

Johannesburg, Feb 25.—Billy Beaumont, who was captain of the British Lious team that toured South Africa last year, will lead a strong Old Collegians invitation side to play the Orange Free State in Bibermformers on April 11, itwas announced here today.

According to the South African
Press Agency, the team will include Carleton, the England wing,
Fenwick, the deposed Wales captain, and Bennett, the former
Wales stand-off half. The other
international mayors in the side international players in the side are Loane, the former Australia captain, and Jansen, a former South Africa centre. TEAM: G. Pienner: J. Carleton, S. Fanwick, J. Jensen, A. Klöpper: L. Mould, D. Spiers, J. Piensen, M. Loaper, W. Bosomont (captain), H. Harting, J. Sonnekus. G. Sonnekus. Agence France-Presse.

Wilson returns: Ron Wilson, who was on the Scotland replacements beach against England on Saturday, returns to captain London Scottish against Orrell in the fourth round of the John Player. Cup. He replaces King at standoff half.

French return to original Irish selection for Welsh By Peter West Rugby Correspondent

Rugby Correspondent

The French team for their third international of the season, against Wales in Paris on Saturday week, will be that which was selected for their last game, in Dublin. On that occasion, the wing, Serge Blanco, and the centre, Didier Codorniou, were taken ill overnight and had to be replaced on the Saturday by Alain Caussade and Patrick Mesny.

In spite of an injury to Mesny and Patrick Mesny.

In spite of an injury to Mesny in the final quarter at Lansdowne Road and his substitution by the reserve scrum half, Yves Lafarge—no other replacement for their back division being available—France got the result they wanted (19—13). That, together with a previous victory, 16—9, over Scotland, has put them level with Wales at the top of the Five Nations championship table, but with a game in hand. The last French match will be against England at Twickenham on March 21.

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. It was thought that the French selectors might contemplate a change at scrum half, where Pierre

Berbizier, in his first full season in that position, still has something to prove. However, the French coach, Jacques Fouroux, is said to be confident that Berbizier will come up to scratch.

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pullback: M. Sallefrenque (Dax).
Thrae quarters: M. Fribre (Bedgars).
J.-G. Castingnet (Phu). P. Mothe (Agen) C. Martinez (Béziera). Standoff Lair: J.-P. Thiot (Friwe). Scrumber (Phu). Scrumber (Phu). Scrumber (Phu). Scrumber (Phu).
Fribrands: (Grenobe). Persignahi. F. Pepulliak (Grenobe). J. M. Yongt (L. Boucatt).
J. Bortolucci (Auch). R. Stefanutt (Phripinan). Replacements: B. Selbond (Carcassonne). J. B. Bourrade (Nice).
L. Rodriguez (Hol-de-Marsan). A. Mournet (Bagnabres). G. Mangematin (Persignan). J. P. Trille (Tarbes).—
Agenca Franca Presse.

Davies stages an action replay for Cambridge

Cambridge U 8 Anti-Assassins 27
Marcus Rose and Huw Davies,
Cambridge's two England newcomers could do little to prevent
Anti-Assassins, a Northern invitation team, scoring five tries yesterday, though they featured in
both of the university's tries. both of the university's tries.

Rose, who makes his first appearance for England in Ireland on Saturday week, set up the first try, for Wheelhouse, and Davies scored the second with a similar move to his winning try for England arounts Scotland last Saturday. Rose missed both conversion attempts by a considerable margin and said after the match that he would spend much of the next week practising his kicking for the Ireland game.

O'Brien, a former Ireland fullback, and Metcalfe, a former Cambridge full-back, gave impressive performances for Anticambridge full-back, gave impressive performances for AntiAssassists. O'Brien, playing on
the left wing, scored two tries and
a conversion; Metcalfe landed a
penalty and a conversion and
scored a try. Cardus, a former
England ceptre, and Ballward
scored the other tries.

Squash rackets

British title still lies in Australian hands

By Rex Bellamy
Squash Rackets Correspondent
For the lifth time in seven years there will be an all-Australian final in the British women's open championship, sponsored by Pretty Polly, at Hove. It follows that the title will go to Australia for the 26th consecutive year. In the semi-final round Vicki Ho-fiman, from Adelaide and the defending champion, beat Rue Sanderson, from Melbourne, by 9—3, 9—1, 6—9, 9—4, and Margaret Zachariah, also from Melbourne, beat Lisa Opie of Guernsey, by 9—6, 10—8, 9—6. Both matches lasted 54 minutes.

Miss Zacharlah is old enough to be Miss Opie's mother, so her achievement in reaching the final for the first time is extraordinacy. She beat the seventh, third and sixth seeds in consecutive matches at the cost of only two games.

This performance by a part-time diagnostic radiographer is some compensation for patriotic distappointment in the defeat of Miss Opie, aged 17, whose talent and temperament could not make up for a deficiency in experience. The match was won and lost on the backhand, where Miss Zachariah's versatile skills in burying the ball to a length or playing short with an augle or a drop were often more telling because of her lutimidating swing.

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Intimidating swing.

In the second game she cracked Miss Opie in the face and was warned that her swing was. "occasionally excessive". The simple answer was for Miss Opie to concentrate on the forehand, but this she could not do. Miss Zacharlah was slightly better at litting winners when she needed them, as is evident from the fact that Miss Opie led 6—5 in the first and third games and was in hand at 8—8 in the second. Miss Zacharlah kept the ball. hand at 8—8 in the second.

Miss Zacharlah kept the balliow and was consistently severe and tidy, especially down the backhand wall. Tactically, her game was immaculate. Miss Opic was fluently versatile and often deceptive in her shot making but she tended to hit down when she could least afford to. It was much to her credit that, after taking the blow in the face; she hit two angled winners and saved tive game balls. Miss Opic also saved three march points before conteding a penalty stroke.

Miss Hoffmann, hitting hard-

ing a penalty stroke.

Miss Hoffmann, hitting hard and low to a superb length (most profitably to Miss Anderson's backhand), pinned her opponent to the back of the court for two games. But Miss Hoffmann had set a pace she could not maintain and, in the third game, Miss Anderson selzed the chance to sort out her own length and display her technical and tactical her technical and tactical

Then Miss Hoffmann bounced-back with a modified version of her earlier authority, mixing the long and short games ifresitibly well. In the three games she won, Miss Hoffmann made a total of only five errors, maintaining fierce pressure without loss of control. Chris Lloyd, even Bjorn Borg, would have been proud of her.

Olympic Games

to five countries

Juan Autoni Samaranch, the president of the International Olympic Committee, said today that five countries may be banned from participating in the 1984-Olympics unless their governments stop interfering with their national Olympic committees. Mr. Samaranch, from Spain, said the countries were Costa. Rica. El Salvador, the Philippines and Madagasca.

Speaking at a press conference at the conclusion of several days of meetings with the Los Angeles organizing committee, he warned that the countries face suspension if they do not permit the free election of representatives on to their countries Committees. He said: "If this is not the case, then their governments can dictate to them what they consider pertinent. We will then have to suspend them if they do not fall within our rules."

He said the final decision on whether the countries would be allowed to compete in the Los Angeles Olympics will be raken in Lausanne, Switzerland, from April 9-10. He stressed the criteria for each of the five governments was to allow the committee members to be elected and not appointed. to allow the committee members to be elected and not appointed.

Rugby League

Fearnley resigns

Blackpool Borough.

Fearnley, a vigorous second row forward in his playing career.

was on the administrative staff at Bractiord Northern for a time and has won acclaim for his work among youth players and teams. He was the architect of Blackpool Borough's achievement of promotion three seasons ago, although he left the club shortly before the team he had helped to build won its way into division one Keighley, of the second division, have had mixed success since he joined them, and are not expected to beat Featherstone, a powerful first division side.

Wigan, ambitious to return to

Wigan, ambitious to return to their former glories and currently lying second in the second division table, confirmed yesterday that they are in pursuit of a Scottish Rugby Union player. The

Silver Buck should not be passed in final warm-up for Cheltenham

Cheltenriam Gold Cup in the Jim Ford Challenge Cup.
Despite Heighlin's defeat by Celtic Ryde and Birds Nest in the William Hill-Christmas Hurdle at Kempton on the same afternoon, David Elsworth's tough stayer has remained a firm second choice in the ante-post betting on the Champion Hurdle. Heighlin faces some formidable reals in the Kingwell Pattern Hurdle. Only heavy overnight frost or snow could put paid to this important fixture on the wel-run Somerset course.

The Kingwel Hurdle also sees the first appearance in this country of Martie's Anger. Tim country of Martie's Anger. Tim Forster advised Jonathan Sheppard, the American trainer of the 1979 Colonial Cup winner, at midday yesterday that the prospects were favourable. So Sheppard is flying from the United tSates to watch Martie's

United tsates to watch Martie's Anger run.

Defeat for Silver Buck would be a great surprise. Master Smudge and Artifice are his only serious rivals. a Master Smudge was awarded last year's Gold Cup on the disqualification of Tied Cottage. However, Master Smudge was beaten eight lengths that afternoon and although the eight-year-old showed himself to be in good form when wearing down Tarbank at Newbury, he should have no answer to Silver Buck's finishing speed. Artifice on the other hand has plenty of pace, but lacks the favourie's staming and resolution. and resolution.

Judged on form alone, Heighlin should gain an equally decisive victor vin the Kingwell Hurdle. Heighlin improved beyond all knowledge on the flat last season, winning eight handicaps. The High Line gelding delighted his connections when beatin Pol-

Wincanton programme

2.45 KINGWELL HURDLE (£4,327 : 2m)

3.15 TIM FORD CHASE (£2.601 : 3m abt 1f)

1.45 FONTHILL CHASE (Handicap: £1,357: 2m)

Cashah (CD), T. Forster, 14-11-7
Reldis (D), D. Gandolfo, 7-11-3
Monny Talks, L. Kennard, 8-10-9
Triangle, S. Patientore, 9-10-3
Current Chance (D), F. Sinth, 10-10-0
Philwin (D), F. King, 9-10-0
13.2 Cashah 10-10 Monny Talks, 12-1

2.15 FAIRYLAND CHASE (Handicap: £1,455: 2m abt 5f)

By Michael Seely

Silver Buck and Heighlin are having their first outinvs since Boxing Day at Wincauton this afternoon. Silver Buck's second consecutive victory in the King George VI Steeplechase at Kempton Park confirmed his status as the top three-mile steeplechase in this country. Michael Dickinson's nine-year-old is having his last race before the Cheltenham Gold Cup in the Jim Pord Challenge Cup.

Iardstown at Ascot and his defeat can be attributed to the feat can be attributed to the feat can be attributed to the feat can be attributed to the ment, in the Surrey Novices Chase. Two other likely winners at Ling-field are Slippery Dick in the Felcourt Handicap Steeplechase and Inninto, who will be trying for his fourth success of the season in the second division of the Heddon Novices Hurdie. It was announced yesterday that the Gold Cup. Although the eight period well to the treatment to ever, the five-year-old's frontrunnin tactics won him three
races earlier in the season, and
he should be suited by Wincanton. Bootlaces and Jugador were
both strongly fancied to win the
aabndoned Schweppes Gold
Trophy and are not without a
chance at the weights.

However, the only factors that
create problems for Heighlin are
either a lack of peak fitness or a
falsely-run race. Elsworth said
yesterday: "The snow and frost
has caused difficulties with our all

yesterday: "The snow and frost has caused difficulties with our all weather gallop, but I managed to get some good work lato Heighlin this morning." Heighlin could find Bootlaces to be his main rival.

After Socks's two recent victories at Sandown Park and Huntington his Windsor conqueror. Money Talks appears to be reasonably treated in the Fouthill Handicap Steeplechase. The amazing 14-year-old, Casbah, and Reldis have also to be considered, but Money Talks cannot be opposed.

cannot be opposed.

An interesting programme also awaits visitors to Lingfield Park, where there will be a precautionary inspection at 7.30 am. Prayukta gave an immaculate display of fencing when beating Palace Dan at Ascot. Fred Winter's Imperial Cup winner should prove too sharp

It was announced yesterday that Venture To Cognac would miss the Gold Cup. Although the eight-year-old appeared to have responded well to the treatment to his neck and back, Olvier Sherwood has decided not to risk him. "It would not be fair on the horse", Winter's assistant trainer said.

Other Chiltenham news vector.

Other Chiltenham news yesterday came from Michael O'Brien, the trainer of the long-time favourite for the Gold Cup, Bright Highway. The spearhead of O'Brien's six-horse raid on the National Hunt Festival is Tacroy. This promising young steeple-chaser looked a sure winner at Leopardstown when he hit the last fench and unseated Gerry New-

man.

"Tacroy is a good horse", the Curragh trainer said, "but he has spoilt his chances by falling a couple of times". At an earlier Leopardstown meeting he had shown his true ability when beating Royal Dipper by five lengths. The Arkle Challenge Trophy is Tacroy's objective at Cheltenham. The meetings scheduled for Catterick Bridge and Warwick yesterday were both abandoned because of frost.

French success for Britain.

French success for Britain; Overtrick gave Britain their sixth success of the meeting at Cagnes-





Queen Mother Chase



Overtrick started slowly but Overtrick started slowly but came through to take it up one and a half furlongs out and shot clear to bear Sky Lawyer and Roger Bacon (John Reid) by sty lengths and five and a half lengths. Mills Abead (Geoff Baxter) was sixth and Bincleaves (Paul Bradwell) eighth.

Michael Dickinson: trainer of

sur-Mer with a runaway triumph in the £3,241 Prix de la Californie over six and a half furlongs yesterday. Ridden by Henri Rossi, he was ideally suited by the soft ground produced by continuous rain which started to fall on Tuesday night.

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W. Smith
S. Jober
P. Leach
P. Haynes
R. Hoare
B. G. Knight
C. Brown
B. H. Davins



2.9 Sever Buck, 4-1 Master Smudge, 8-1 Artifice, 16-1 Spider Man, 20-1 Wincanton selections Prestbury, 26-1 Tristrum Shandy, 53-1 others.

5 MERE HURDLE (Div I: 4-y-o maidens: £600: 2m)

By blichael Seely
1.45 MONEY TALKS is especially recommended. 2.15 Tower Bridge.

O About Turn, G. Clay, 10-10

Mr E. Whenam 3
3.45 Heighlin. 3.15 Silver Buck. 3.45 Ballytop. 4.15 Fledge.

Lingfield Park programme

3.45 MERE HURDLE (Div I: 4-y-o maidens: £600: 2m)



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414 repro30 Rathield (CD), D. Greid, 11-10-3 ...
415 repro30 Rathield (CD), D. Greid, 11-10-3 ...
416 poecoo Disaming Flight, M. Havnes, 11-10-0 ...
415 poecoo Disaming Flight, M. Havnes, 11-10-0 ...
415 poecoo Prince Trusk, Miss P. Neal, 11-10-0 ...
421 0-ftps Tulk Woodham (D), J. Old, 11-10-0 ...
421 0-ftps Tulk Woodham (D), J. Old, 11-10-0 ...
42-poeco Reine Beag (B), D. Grissoll, 11-10-0 ...
43-poeco Reine Beag (B), D. Grissoll, 11-10-0 ... 11-4 China Cottage, 5-1 Silppers Dick, 4-1 Woodham, 11-2 Stient Hard Cutloos, 8-1 Brown Jock, 12-1 Prince's Risk, 20-1 others. 4.0 EDENBRIDGE HURDLE (Handican: £922: 2m) HURDLE (Handicap: 1942: ZIB;
Hot Trams (D), J. Bridger, 7-11-8
Master Ket (B), M. Haynes, 7-11-6
French Lane, Vita A. Finch, 7-11-8
Reg Ambies (D), A. Davison, 9-14-15
Regik, A. Prail, 8-10-7
Schway, A. Moore, 13-10-7
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Kate Hill (D), A. Davison, 9-10-7
Kete Hill (D), A. Davison, 9-10-7
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Regily Press, Mar. R. Voorspor, 5-10-7
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Lingfield Park selections

3.11245 Brown Jock (CD), R. Armyrage, 13-11-6...... B. Davies
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0.31-21 Brown Jock (CD), R. Armyrage, 13-11-6.... B. Davies
0.31-10 Stent Burn (O), T. Forster, 10-10-9..... J. Froncome
21-pp01 Blek (P), F. Forster, 10-10-9..... P. Scudamore
21-pp02 China Costage (B.B.), P. Balloy, 8-10-7..... Mr. P. Wobbert
200-040 Monagella (D), C. Kindersby, 8-10-7..... B. detagan 4
Rose. 4.30 Incinto.

Village Mark looks outstanding among hunter-chasers

By far the most impressive performance I have seen by a hunter-chaser this seeson was Village Mark's 30-length win at Stratford on February 7. Looking handsome and straight in the paddock, the horse must have been well supported because he started at only 3—1 and the Tote dividend was even shorter. Spartella, favourite and the choice of most racing correspondents, drifted in the market to start at 2—1.

Grant Cann, for many years one of our most accomplished amateur riders, settled Village Mark to-wards the rear of the field, but he gained a length or two in the air at every fence and by the time they turned into the straight for the last time he had pulled his way to the front. Village Mark made his only mistake at the second last fence, but showed that made his only mistake at the first bunger-chase of the season, feel sure, however second last fence, but showed that for maidens at starting, had to be Mark and Cheeking the was not tiring by jumping the divided. The first division, with more good races.

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CANTU. Haly Men's European Cub Winners' Cep: Semi-final, second fee: Squibb Cantu 78. Turisanda Varese 63. Souibb Cantu won 172—149 on agareado and meet Barcelona in (mai.—ENDS.—

For the record

Basketball

last perfectly and finishing as fresh as dew.

In the two-and-a-half mile which won first time out last wincanton on February 12, Lord season at the United Services' Dawson, carrying a 71b penalty for his Leicester win, Business that B. Parry's eight-year-old, Cheekio Ora, seemed to gallop a high-class field off their feet. The high-class field off their feet. The (seventh) unbeaten in seven point-to-points in 1980 and winner of the Jeep Christie's Point to Point Championship at Chepstow last May; and Annas Prince, winner of handicap steeplechases from Peter Easterby's stable, which

started a 13-8 favourite but pulled up lame.

At Leicester on February 2 the

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pionship at the Melton Hunt Club meeting at Gartilorpe last May. The second division was woo in slightly faster time by Lord Dawson, ridden by Rosemary White. The winners of these four races have one thing in common: they are all by Romany Air, third in last season's list of leading sires of hunter-chasers and point-to-pointers, with a total of 21 wins by 11 horses. (Spartan General was first, with 34 wins, and New Brig second, with 221.

Some breeding experts maintain that the progeny of Romany Air mature early but do not show much improvement thereafter. I the run-in. Honourable Man fol-lowed up by beating Cheekio Ora by 12 lengths at Newcastle on Saturday in the heavy going that much improvement thereafter. I feel sure, however, that Village Mark and Checkio Ora will win particularly saits him. He, too, has now won his last five races, three in point-to-point's and two under

> SEATTLE: First round: H. Mandhkon Czecnoslovakia) beat S. Barker (GB), 6—0, 7—5; W. Turnbyll (Australia) beat 1. Budarova (Czechoslovakia), 1—5, 6—1, 6—1; P. Shriver beat B. Herr, 6—4, 6—2; K. Jordan boat G. Coles (GB), 6—1, 7—5; B. Bungo beat M. Van Der Totte (Netherlands), 6—1, 8—2, 6—1; S. Marpolin beat K. Sands.

Tennis

6-2, 6-1; S. Margolin brei K. Sands. 6-1; L-1; A. Klyomura brai S. Leo. Australia: 7, 2, 2, 6, 5, 5, Martington beai L. Allon, 6-2, 3-6.

was no disgrace, as Persian Scimitar went on to beat. Arctic Heir and Other Way carly at Chepstow on Saturday. Persian Scimitar is now undefeated in five races.

Another exciting newcomer from point-to-pointing is Honourable Man, from the Middleton Hunt. He got home by only a neck from The Drunken Duck in the maiden hunters' steeplechase

at Stockton on February 9, but his rider was up before the srewards for easing his mount on

Tennis

Waltke puts quick end to a 'sluggish' McEnroe

Memphis, Feb 25. — John McEnroe, the No 1 seed, was knocked out of the United States indoor tennis championships in the first round here by Trey Waltke, of the United States. Waltke, aged 25, ranked 51st in the world, won 6—3; 6—4 to record the best victory of his six-year professional career:

McEuroe, who arrived here yes-MCEBROE, who arrived here yes-terday after a long flight from Australia where he played last weekend, said afterwards that he feir sluggish. He also said that he had been playing too much tennis. "It's not just this match. I'm not moving as well as I have been. I'm pushing myself to play and that's not good."

Waltke, a former all-American player at the University of California at Berkeley, said; "My only strategy was to get back his serve and play it from there. I was pretty steady today and John missed some shots he would not ordinarily miss."

ordinarily miss."

There was an amusing incident in the march between Mel Purcell and Tim Gullikson, which Purcell won 6—3, 7—6. On the last point of the match, Purcell was at the net when he lunged for a back-hand and hit the ball two feet over the net. The ball carried so much spin that it came back over on Purcell's side of the net.

Cullibran was pursuing the ball Purcell's side of the net.
Gullikson was pursuing the ball
with such speed that he was unable to stop and was forced to
leap the net. Since it was match
point, he landed and shook hands
with the victor all in one motion.
"It was a lucky shot, but I'll
take it", Purcell said after the
match.

Strong Czech team Prague, Feb 25.—Czechoslovakia, the Davis Cup holders, were today able to choose their strongest team for their first-round tie with Switzerland at Zurich from March

5-8. The Czechosiovak quartet of Ivan Lendi, Tomas Smid, Pavel Storif and Stanislav Birner is the same as that which defeated Italy in last year's Davis Cup Enal in Prague.—Agence France-Presse:

Boxing

Magri may move down a weight if world title claim is ignored

Boxing Correspondent Terry Lawiess, Charlie Magri's manager, is to ask the British. Boxing Board of Control to push the European flyweight champion's claim to a world title bout with the black South African Peter Mathebula, the WBA champion, as the Control of Jean the or Shoji Ogama, of Japan, the WBC champion. Even though most of the little men come from the East or Central and South America, the two boxing bodies will find it hard to put Europe

down much longer, especially after Magri's splendid defence of his European title on Tuesday night against Earique Rodriguez Cal, of Spain. Spain.

The Stepney man stopped Cal in four minutes with four blows, all right hand tooks to the ribs. His camp claim that the blows would have floored either world. champion and naturally they are anxious to sail in on the wave of euphoria that Magri's right hand has started.

The fact that Magri made vices

tory appear as casy as kicking snow off your boots against a smaller and less experienced man smaller and less experienced man should not devalue his performance. Magri's tin law notwithstanding, it was for the first time a different Magri from the slam, bang, wallop one from the first bell. He took his time evaluating how much his opponent knew before lashing into him. And once he found that the blow he had been practising worked he stuck to it. Again different from the Magri who used to just pile in any old how. anywhere with the world authorities on Magri's behalf. Mr

anywhere with the world authorities on Magri's behalf, Mr Lawless has suggested that his charge moves dow ato light flyweight. It would only mean taking 20 off the 7st 121b he weighed on Tuesday night. "I shall discuss it with Charlie when he talk over last night's fight", Mr Lawless said. "To weigh 7st 121b in winter defintely suggests that a further 21b loss might not be foo much trouble."

The new weight would certainly give Magri an advantage over other light-flyweights, because he has been used to boxing bigger men. It would also enable him to gain world experience without taking too great a risk, but it would mean his starting again at th bottom. He is the WEC No 2 at present. But before he starting he has, events he south Africa could turn out in his favour.

Shigeo Nakajima, of Japan, has backed out of his challenge for Mathebula's title because the South Africans have refused to improve his terms. A new chal-



Magri: waiting for result of Lacair's fight with Mathebula

lenger, Santos Laciar, of Argentina, has been given the bour, which wit be held at Oriando Stadium in Soweto, outside Johannesburg. The result of the bout will give a clear pointer to Magri's true status, for Laciar was the man who recently floored Magri with right-hander in the first round, though the Briton got up and went on to win on roints. up and went on to win on points.
The WBA rating committee will have something to go on, who-

the £5,000-a-minute European title defence at the Albert Hall, is off to Mexico City, the headquarters of the WBC, to offer some more

of his and Mike Barrett's money to bring Jim Watt's world title defence against Alexis Arguello to Glasgow, If he succeeds, it will be the Scot's sixth defence in that city in two years. But there is going to be tough competition from American promoters who want to keen the boat in Miant. the Nicaraguan's American base. Taler's second chance: Hocine Taler, the French light-heavy-weight champion, has a second chance to win the European title from Rudi Koopmans, of the Netherlands, in Paris tonight. Taler falled in his first attempt, when he drew with Koopmans, in when he drew with Koopmans in November 1979 after knocking him

Merton second

seven places
By a Special Correspondent

Catastrophe hit Merton's second boat on the opening day of the Oxford University torpids on the

boat soon after the start of division five and was helples as the craft collided with the river bank. As a result Merton suffered

a dramatic drop of seven places into division six.

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river Oriei. They overcame a sluggish start to click into top gear and quickly put plenty of water between their oponents. Brasenose moved up to the top

division with a fine performance

when catching jesus at the boat house.

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A letter

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Brown's alligator tale is unlikely to be retold

From John Hennessy Golf Correspondent
Orlando, Florida, Feb 25
Nick Faido, the hero of the
golfing hour, will be given an
early chance here tomorrow to
confirm his burgeoning reputation.
He tees off at 7.46 am on the
first day of the Eay Hill tournament, heading the strongest
gathering of Bridsh, or at least
Bridsh Isles golfers at an American tournament. Golf Correspondent

can tournament.
The others are Tony Jacklin,
Michael King, Peter Oosterhuls. Des Smyth and the two enlance terribles manques Ken Brown and Mark James. Brown has made a laudable effort to mend his ways laudable effort to mend his ways and married life, we might hope, will have the mellowing effect ou James ir has clearly had on Frido. The British assembly on the practice ground this morning was so strong that hipert Green, a former winner of the United States Open, paused briefly nearby, between animalistic attacks on the ball that suggested he might have spent his formative years colling seals, to declare himself something of a foreigner in

former winner of the United States Open, paused briefly nearby, between animalistic attacks on the ball that suggested he might have spent his formative years calling seals, to declare himself something of a foreigner in his own country.

Falda clearly deserves his place here, being one of only five players who have beaten the half-way cut in the last five tourname of the four par fives, way cut in the last five tournament three par fives, being one of only five players who have beaten the half-way cut in the last five tournament three par fives, being one of only five players who have beaten the half-way cut in the last five tournament three par fives, being one of the four par threes in the process. Jacklin and Oosterhuis similarly and feel that they have done players who have beaten the half-way cut in the last five tourna-ments and having earned his players' card in the process. Jacklin and Oosterhuis similarly can feel that they have done knough in the past at least to deserte a place in today's Florida

The other four, however, have something to prove. They are unsumowns on Ryder Cup exemptions, and there is a feeling among some younger members of the American fraternity that they are receiving on professional golf over here.

Yamoussoukro, Ivory Coast, Feb 25.—Cary Player heads an interna-tional field of 80 for tomorrow's

tional field of 80 for tomorrow's start in the Ivory Coast open golf championship here. Player, aged 46 from South Africa and who defeated Peter Townsend, of Britain, in a play-off in an invitation event to inaugurate the course a year ago, is the favourite to take the top prize, worth about £7,000, Vincent Tshabalola, also from South Africa and the 1976 French Open champion, Bob Charles, of New Zealand, and Lu Hsi Cheung, from Talwan, are among the chai-

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the French formula one driver.

set a new lap record at Florano.

Pironi sets record

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Driving a turbo-charged Ferrui. son Piquet of Brazil, in this his time was 1 min 09.61 sec.—AP. season's later formula one

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Depth

privileged treatment that their privileged treatment that their achievements do not deserve. King played well enough in the Los Angeles Open last week to have justified himself in the short term. Now he must show some follow-through, which may be the more difficult because of a back atlment that impedes his follow-through in the practical sense.

Tames. Econom and Spatch have James, Erown and Smyth have to dispel any brooding suspicion that this is some form of glorified net, in preparation for the serious stuff when they get home. Smyth seems canable of the most seeming. seems capable of the most gamma offort among them; but whether he will gain some stimulus or otherwise from the fact that he is combining golf with a honeymoon

remains to be seen. remains to be seen.

In the absence of Nicklaus and Miller, the favourites among the 144 starters, were the bookmakers allowed, would be Warson and Trevino. But in any sentimental

enough trees and bushes, to say nothing of alligators, to make life unpleasant for those who stray off

Frenchman, Bernard Pascassin,

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Rio de Japeiro, Feb 25.-Brah-

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Turbo Brabham

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in division three and were overbumped by Churchill III,

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SILLY lengers. Others in the field include a Belgian, Philippe Toussaint, a two Spansirds, Jose Maria Canizares and Manuel Calero, as well as the Italian Open champion, Massimo Mannelli. Heading the British and Irish contingent of 37 are Peter Tupling, winner of the Nigerian Open on Sunday with a world record total of 255, and the Spanish Open champion, Eddie Polland, a former Ryder Cup international from Northern Ireland.—Reuter. Off Runs to (5 pm)
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Rowing

Trinity Hall succeed at third attempt

By a Special Correspondent Lady Margaret had a grandstand view of Trinity Hall's pursuit of Pembroka on the first day of the Cambridge Lenes. Hall (inally made contact at the third attempt at the Glasshouses.

at the Glasshouses.

Favoured Fitzwilliam fell to
Clare when they went wide on
Grassy Corner. Sidney Susser
bumped Josus's second boat after
being overlapped by Churchill at
Ditton. Trinity Hall first overlapped Pembroke at Grassy and a second time at Ditton before making con

time at Ditton before making con-tact at the Glasshouses. Pembroke themselves hardly put pressure on the Head boat; although slightly down at first post, Lady Margaret had opened up a gap by the Plough and after that they appeared to slacken off to watch the fur behind. In the second division Queens' Il were mown down by Magdalene

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THE TIMES **BUSINESS NEWS**



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IN BRIEF

MLR hopes lift index through 500 evel

The FT index passed the 500 tark yesterday after hours to lose at 502 points for the first me since the Chancellor mounced his mini-Budget roposals on November 24, ince then, the index has rifted, recording a low of 406.9 1 January 3. The all-time high as on May 6, 1979, when it sached 558.6.

Yesterday's impetus came om the growing belief that e Budget will include a 3 per at cut in Minimum Lending the and sentiment was helped the news of the Royal edding. It was enough to sost leading equities across c board with blue chips ding several pence through

Gilts, however, spent an certain day, with longs mark-rises of up to £1 and shorts wer between £1/16 and £3/16. e market today will be look-t for reassurance from ICI, nich advanced 4p to 292p, to whether dividend payments (l) be maintained. Market report, page 22

igeria pays £56m for P nationalization

British Petroleum will receive ude oil worth 71m naira 55m) from Nigeria under an recment to be signed in gus in the next few days. The agreement was a package at negotiated after Nigeria's tionalization in 1979 of BP's tionalization. erests, and involves compen-

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Textiles slump leaves Carrington Viyella with £31.6m loss

The worst textiles recession since the 1930s saw Carrington Viyella, one of the four largest textiles companies in the country, amounted yesterday losses of £31.6m for 1980 and pass its final dividend. The losses included £21.5m to cover the far reaching restructuring and redundancy programme implemented last year.

Some 33 out of 113 factories have been closed and the United Kingdom workforce has been cut from 24,800 to 18,500.

Carrington Vivella is 49 per cent owned by ICI, the chemicals group, and is a major customer for ICI's fibres, taking about £20m in sales. ICI will report its results today amid fears in the City that the group may take the drastic step of cutting its dividend because of the poor trading conditions brought about by the recession.

Poor results had been widely expected from Carrington Vivella but the scale of the losses and closure costs came as a surprise. The group made a loss before tax of £8.3m compared with a £8.5m profit in

Before interest charges the group still made a profit, although much reduced from £14.2m to £3.4m, most of which was earned by its overseas operations. But interest charges rose from £8.4m to £11.9m.

Mr William Fieldhouse, who took over last September as chairman after the abrupt departure of Mr Derrick Hornby, who stayed only two months in the post, said that during 1980 "the group operated in an environment where the United Kingdom textile industry experienced its worst recession since the 1930s. In recession since the 1930s. In addition to low United King-dom demand, the group had to face difficulties arising from the increasing value of ster-

Mr Fieldhouse said that, at the end of the 1970s, the group had recognized the problems it faced. But much more funda-mental measures had proved necessary because of the depth



Mr William Fieldhouse: denied rumours of "lifeboat" rescue operation for the group.

Mr Fieldhouse denied City rumours that Carrington's bankers bad mounted a "lifeboat " rescue operation to save the group, although he con-firmed there had been a tech-nical default on some loans last October. He added that, despite the losses and closure costs, borrowings were reduced by E4m last year.

As expected, Carrington passed its final dividend after also omitting the interim pay-ment. The shares closed 10 up at 131p yesterday.

Mr Fieldhouse said the group would benefit from reductions in the cost structure during 1981 but said: "The overall trading environment shows little sign of recovery and, under these circumstances, the board will continue to concentrate on the optimization of cash flow."

Carrington's annual report, due next month, is expected to show compensation to former directors of about £100,000. Of this between £70,000 to £80,000 believed to have been paid to Mr Hornby. -Textiles review, page 20

Financial Editor, page 21

Harrisons to pay £22m ion, other claims and inter-claims between the gerian National Petroleum rporation and EP.

By Our Financial Staff Harrisons & Crossield, the nternational manufacturing, international trading and plantations group, is paying around £22m to North American Philips Corporation for a group of chemical com-panies in the United States.

The deal, which has yet to be approved by the boards of both companies, concerns businesses with combined sales of £90m It includes the acquisition of the industrial chemicals division, textile maintenance division and pest control division of Thompson-Hayward Chemical Company, a wholly-owned sub-sidiary of North American Philips Corporation.

Harrisons & Crossield had already disclosed earlier this month that it was negotiating with an unnamed American company for new acquisitions in its offer documents for London

& Sumatra. American Philips pecializes in consumer products and services as well as in electronic and electrical com-

ponents. About 62 per cent of its shares are owned by Hartford National Bank and Trust Com-pany as trustees of the United States Philips Trust.

Shareholders of Philips, the large multinational electrical group based in The Netherlands, are the ultimate beneficiaries of the trust.

Harrisons Malaysian Estates, the 80.8 per cent owned sub-sidiary of Harrisons & Cros-field, yesterday reported lower interint figures. For the six months to the end of last September profits before tax fell from £15.16m to £13.92m and sales were down from £35.6m to £31.3m.

The interim dividend has been held at 3.6p gross a share. The group blames the fall for currency conversion into a strong sterling and for poor prices for some of its commodities.

The group's oil palm pro-ducts had been badly affected while cocoa prices have been persistently low.

Chrysler clear for cash

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Chrysler has reached a compromise agreement with a group of lenders, apparently clearing the way for the vehicle maker to secure badly needed federal rescue funds, after two days of intense negotiating.

Chrysler and the banks came to terms on the new agreement on Monday afternoon and the arrangement was approved later by officials of the Federal Loan Board.

The main feature is a pro-vision for Chrysler to make an

early payment of the \$68m (£30.5m) which it owed to about 150 lenders. The banks had demanded the

payment because of the com-pany's precarious financial

The new agreement breaks an impasse that had developed between the company and the banks over an earlier debt agreement which the Federal Land. In its shareholders' letter, Lonrho says: "Your (Fraser) directors are striving for a second referral to the Monopolies Commission, which could mean withdrawal of our bid or a great delay and an immediate fall in the market price." Loan Board said was a condition for the use of any more federal loan guarantees.

Brussels tightening steel aid scrutiny

Dr Otto Lambsdorff, the West German Economics Minister will be in London today for talks with Cabinet ministers. They will discuss EEC energy and steel policies, on which Britain and West Germany have had strong differences.

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From Michael Hornsoy
Brussels, Feb 25
The European Commission
intends to scrutinize state aid
for steel industries much more

closely.

Viscount Etienne Davignon, the EEC commissioner for industrial policy, will tell ministers text week that Brussels would want longer notice of investment plans by governments and would ban any aid that was not clearly and demonstrably linked to rationalization programmes.

Viscount Davignon will also argue in favour of offering financial incentives to plant cosures. One possibility would be to allow debts to be written off as part of aid for closure programmes.

off as part of aid for closure programmes.

Another idea would be to offer what he calls. closure premiums. The EEC would fund part of the cost of plant closures provided these were coupled by the member state concerned with investment in alternative employment and diversification.

The formation of a review committee to monitor the progress made by Mr Ian Mac-Gregor, the chairman of the British Steel Corporation, towards meeting its performance targets will be announced soon by Sir Keith Joseph, the Secretary of State for Industry.

The committee will determine

The committee will determine the payments to Lazard Frères, the American investment bankers, and Mr MacGregor's former employers, under the terms of the fl.8m "transfer deal" negotiated by the Government last year when he was chosen as chairman of British Steel.

Committee will review MacGregor progress

Among the elements that should be included in the new approach was a much tighter control of state and to the steel

moted by more cooperation be-tween steel enterprises, which could make possible more in-tense specialization, shared use of plant and joint purchase of raw materials operation. Member states were urged today to agree before the end of June on a new coordinated or June of a new coordinates strategy for rationalizing the European steel industry to a point where it was viable and could compete internationally

without subsidy. At a press conference here, Viscount Davignon, said he would be asking industry minisand agree on a diagnosis of the ills besetting the steel sector at their meeting in Brussels on

earlier this week that it would provide the Corporation with a further £880m over the next 15 months and write off £3,509m

Sir Keith has now confirmed

that the members of the com-mittee and the criteria on which

payments will be based would be announced shortly.

Almost a year has elapsed since Mr MacGregor's appointment, and the criteria for the committee to work to could not be established until the Government had considered British

Steel's corporate plan to re-turn to a break-even point by the end of the 1982-83 finen-

The Commission also thinks that efficiency could be pro-

industry to ensure that such assistance did not merely keep uncompetitive plant in A more flexible interpretation of EEC competition rules to

permit more mergers and cooperation between steel enterprises could serve the end of a slimmed down and more efficient industry.

"We must not simply look at day-to-day developments, but

try to determine together what level of production capacity and employment is compatible over the longer term with a return to profitability and inter-uational competitiveness.", he

id.

ant job losses in the st.

A report sent to member industry", the report adds.

and cash targets, improved market share in domestic and

export markets and improved productivity and labour rela-tions. The committee will have

five members, two nominated by the Department of Industry, two by Mr MacGregor and an independent chairman.

When Mr MacGregor took up his appointment, the Govern-ment paid Lazard Frères a lump sum of £675,000 for his

achievement of annual profit and a further payment of up and cash targets, improved to £450,000 the following year.

Inspectors states by the Commission in preparation for next week's meeting estimates that steel plants are now working at no more than 55 per cent of capacity, compared with 80 per cent in 1974, the last pre-crisis year. On this basis the Commission talculates that some 40 million tonnes of steel production capacity in the EEC is surplus to need, and that despite plant closures the surplus will still be at least 25 million tonnes in 1983, even on the most favourable assumptions about future demand for steel. The number of steel workers in the EEC has shrunk from 792,000 in 1975 to 505,000 at the end of last year, a drop of 24 per cent according to the report, but it says, further shrinkage is unavoidable. "While it is difficult to make forecasts about employment, because it depends on the effective reduction of capacity and increases in productivity, it is clear that there will have to be further important job losses in the steel industry", the report adds. study abuse of tax havens

Paris, Feb 25.—Tax inspector from more than 20 countries have met here for three days, under the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, to discuss the in-creasing abuse of tax bavens by multinational companies. The talks focused on the way the multinationals set up sub-

sidiaries in countries where taxes are low.

There is nothing illegal in corporations attempting to maximize their profits by minimizing their rax obligations.

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But the suspicions of tax authorities have been aroused by the consistently higher sales and profits of some corporate subsidiaries operating in tax havens and low-tax countries, compared with the lower earnings that the same companies report in high-tax areas of operations.

What this often implies is that the companies have been engaging in internal transac-tions intended to disguise their

tions intended to disguise their true tax liabilities.

Transfer pricing is quite easy to disguise and hard to prove.

"What is really difficult is in getting the evidence and obtaining convictions." one participant Under the terms of the cor-porate plan endorsed by the Government, British Steel is trying to regain the 54 per cent share of the United King-dom market it held before the 13-week strike at the beginning

ing convictions," one participant at the meeting said.

Tax officials credit American corporations with pioneering the use and abuse of tax havens in the 1960s. But now countries such as Sweden and The Netherlands have become increasingly interested in detecting the more sophisticated teching the more sophisticated tech-niques by which companies there hide their true earnings. Multinational companies are

estimated to have sheltered thousands of millions of dollars from United States tax authorities through imaginative transmaking capacity to more than ties through imagina 90 per cent in the coming year fer pricing practices.

be established until the Government had considered British steel's corporate plan to return to a break-even point by the end of the 1982-83 finantial year. The criteria will include the second of \$100,000 in 1984 The Government announced Misuse of EEC funds claimed

Planning Reporter.

Leaders of the construction industry claimed yesterday that the Government was refusing to release funds from the EEC which were earmarked for specific development projects. Instead, it was treating them as eneral capital receipts and claiming the right to use them for whatever purpose it chose.

The accusation was made after a meeting between Mr Michael Heseltine, Secretary of State for the Environment, and the Group of Eight, which re-presents builders, architects, engineers, surveyors, materials

Fraser staff

from Lonrho

Lourho, the international trading group bidding £158m for the House of Fraser stores

group, yesterday sent a letter to Fraser shareholders and employees on the eve of the

stores group's defence against the takeover.

Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland, Lourho chief executive, says that if Fraser shareholders do

not want to accept his 1500 2 share cash bid, he advises them

to sell in the stock market. Fraser shares closed 3p higher

He adds that Fraser em-

ployees, who have 2.5 million shares in trust under a profit-linked share plan, would be better off directing trustees to accept Lourbo's offer.

The Mergers Panel of the

Office of Fair Trading met

yesterday as part of the process of deciding whether the OFT would recommend a Monopolies Commission investigation. That recommendation is likely to go to Mr John Biffen, Secretary of State for Trade towight or

of State for Trade, tonight or

get letter

By Philip Robinson

last night at 147p.

British Architects, said that Mr Heseltine appeared to be "quite unrepentant" about the Govern-

Ministers evidently took the view that, so long as Britain was contributing more to the Community budger than it was taking out, it was the Cabiner's prerogative to decide how to use any "clawbacks" it obtained, regardless of what Brussels might say, he added.

It is understood that the Labour Government adopted the same attitude when it was in office. Members of the Group of Eight have expressed outrage.

Mining Correspondent

copper mine,

in Selection.

Consolidated Gold Fields, one

of Britain's leading mining fin-ance bouses, is considering a

merger of its Australian inter-

It is planning to merge its Australian subsidiary, Consolidated Gold Fields of Australia, with three of CGFA's subsidiaries: Renison, the Tasmanian tin mine; Associated Minerals, a producer of mineral sands; and Mount Lyell, a conner mine.

A merger would be based on the relative contribution of the

companies to the merged group, Mr Max Roberts, Cons Gold Australia chairman said. A fur-

ther statement would be made

Meanwhile, another mining finance house, Charter Consoli-

dated, said that it is to pay BP £24.8m for Alexander Shand, the mining engineering

shand, the mining, engineering and industrial group.

Charter has bought Alexander Shand after lengthy negotiations with British Petroleum, which had acquired the company as part of its purchase of Selection Trust, another mining finance house. Charter then received about \$100m for its another these there is another the state.

£100m for its one-third stake

One of Shand's attractions is

as soon as possible.

ConsGold may merge

Australian interests

have spent anyway from its own

The group, which had planned to use the meeting to plead for selective concessions, decided instead to use it for a full-scale assault on government policies which, it claimed, had brought the industry "to its knees".

Mr George Henderson, of the Transport and General Workers' Union, said that unemployment in the industry was now some

Public investment was vital to modernizing the country's infrastructure; he wanted to know why, when so much public money was being handed out to the steel and mining indussuppliers and the construction trade unions.

Ar Bryan Jefferson, president of the Royal Institute of what the Government would ton.

Mine, a coal mine in Indiana which produces about 250,000

tonnes a year, Although this is small, Charter sees Fukon as a springboard to developing its

coal mining interests.
In addition, Shand is involved

A subsidiary of Charter,

A Charter spokesman said that negotiations continued with BP on taking a stake in produc-ing North Sea oil wells. These

discussions, like the Shand deal, are also the outcome of the

Selection sale.
A third British mining

finance house, Rio Tinto-Zinc, said that Lornex, its indirectly controlled Canadian subsidiary; made net earnings during 1980 of \$65.1m compared with \$57.6m in 1979.

But pretax results were less favourable because of lower prices for molybdenum, reduced copper production, and higher operating costs. Capital expenditure, which includes a \$160m expension programme held

expansion programme, down the tax charge.

Volcker warning on tougher money policy From Frank Vogl

Washington, Feb 25

Monetary policies in the United States are going to become tighter as the Federal Reserve Board aims to slow the rate of money supply growth significantly according to Mr. Paul Volcker, the Fed chairman.

of last year. It is also seeking

to boost its export sales which are equivalent to about 3 per

are equivalent to about 3 per cent of the world steel trade.

The plant closure programme and the shedding of at least 20,000 more jobs at a cost of £180m over the next few months are directed at lifting the utilization of manned steel-

The board's 1981 policies, out-lined by Mr Volcker today, will almost certainly ensure con-tinued high interest rates. Dr Henry Kaufman of the Salomon Brothers merchant bank predic-ted that commercial bank prime rate would start moving up again after falling to 17 or 18 per cent in the next couple of

Mr Volcker gave a warning that tight policies were crucial in fighting inflation and the fight this year would "produce a great deal of stress and strain".

His comments came as the Bureau of Labour statistics announced that consumer prices rose by 0.7 per cent on a seasonally adjusted basis in January, after a 1 per cent gain in December. New oil price rises and other factors are expected to produce sharper gains in coming months.

Mid and MIR the partors

MIA and MIB, the narrow measures of the money stock, rose respectively by 64 per cent and 64 per cent last year; in building, civil engineering, quarrying and plant hire. Char-ter will support the develop-ment of Shand's business in the United Kingdom and abroad. and the new target growth range for M1A is between 3 and 5½ per cent while for M1B it is between 31 and 6 per cent. Mr Volcker stressed: "We are Pandrol, has also gone into an equal joint partnership with Panetti, a Geneva company, to acquire Speno Rail Services, an not aiming for the top end of the ranges."
M2 and M3, the broader American rail track mainten-ance company. The cost to Pandrol is \$10.3m (about £4m).

money stock measures, rose by 9.8 per cent and 9.9 per cent last year, while bank credit rose by 7-9 per cent. For 1981 the Fed is aimise to hold M2 growth to between 6 and 9 per cent, M3 to between 61 per

per cent. Mr Volcker said these new ranges "imply a significant deceleration of growth in the monetary aggregates".

In testimony before the Senate's banking committee, he outlined the Fed thinking by saying: "Our intent is not to accommodate inflationary forces; rather we mean to continuing restraint growth in money and credit to squeeze out inflationary pres-SUFES.

On interest rates, the Fed chief gave a warning that declines would only be secured by reducing inflation, and that the "cr policy" "critical dimension is fiscal

Mr Volcker said the cuts sought by President Reagan were a minimum and they must be followed by additional cuts. There was no risk of cut-ting spending too much. The spending cuts were crucial in fighting inflation and securing them was worthwhile "what-ever stress and pain it takes". He refused to criticize President Reagan's plans for heavy tax cuts, but added that they could only be implemented without serious risk to the economy if major spending cuts went ahead. He would prefer to see tax cuts that were directed more specifically at boosting investment and work. Mr Volcker's statement on

monetary aims and targets gave the dollar a modest boost in late European trading, helping it to recover part of the losses sustained against European currencies earlier in the day. After falling against the Deutsche mark to 2.0950, it finished with a ner loss on the day of 1.15 pfennigs at

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Novel etching process makes the going tough for counterfeiters

A new laser disc to beat record pirates

A new process using laser technology is being used by a record manufacturer to fight disc counterfeiters. Disc piracy is estimated to cest the British industry about £220m each

year.

The technique pioneered by
A & M Records uses the laser
to imprior a unique design on
the surface of the record,
making it easily identifiable and
very difficult to copy.

This "disc watermark" has
been developed by Mr Michael
Forser, a plastics researcher

Foster, a plastics researcher who works for Pik Discs of Los Angeles which has been developing techniques to print images on disc.

The normal groove of the



Patterns on the disc to beat the

lathe. But the new technique record album is cut to a depth of 50/70 millionth of a metre. This cutting is done by a needle surface to a depth of two etching into the plastic from a millionth of a metre.

technique on two of its latest best selling albums. The first was tested by the company at the end of last year on an album by Split Enz, the New Zealand rock group. The success of the venture has resulted in the company issuing another on the Styx rock band's latest album. hest selling albums. The first According to the company

which is owned by Herb Alpert . and Jerry Moss and has over the technique is a milestone in the worldwide campaign against: disc piracy.

Piracy has been troubling the record industry for years but has become increasingly more prominent in recent years as cheaper and more sophisticated

theory the new technique is almost impossible to copy because the technology and the pattern designs are not easy to obtain.

This week the Recording 40 recording artists on contract. Industry Association of than \$55m (£24.6m) worth of bogus records, tapes and other equipment were seized by police in 1980.

its coal operations on licence from the National Coal Board. It also controls the Fulton Financial Editor, page 21 Mining Column, page 22

A & M Records has used the recording and copying equip-schming on two of its latest ment can be easily acquired. In

The process is expensive and consequently will only be used for high volume and high self-ing abouts. Pik. Discs has estimated the cost of etching for each album series to be about \$10,000 (£4,480).

> Bill Johnstone and Ivor Davis



Turkey expecting £670m aid pledges

Mr Turgut Ozal, Turkey's Deputy Prime Minister and chief economic planner, said in Paris that his country expected to receive aid pledges of about \$1,500m (£670m) this year from members of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development.

After meeting Mr Emile van Lennep, OECD Screetary General, Mr Ozal said the United States and West Germany were likely to contribute 50 per cent or more of this year's aid package, which compares to \$1,200m pledged last

The Turkish minister hoped that the agreement would be finally agreed at the next OECD pledging session in mid-

demand, and more closures and redundancies appear certain, according to an industry review. Output is already the lowest this century, and employment has fallen by almost a third in the last year. The review by Tattersall's, the Manchester-based consultants, says: "Without the facility of making sufficient money to avoid the monotonous approach of creditors, even April.
Mr Ozal expected a new rescheduling agreement on \$300m official debts.

Dutch index up

The index of Dutch industrial raw material and semi-manufactured goods prices rose an unadjusted 1.8 per cent to a provisional 147.3 per cent (base 1975) in November from 144.7 in October, and was 14.7 per cent up from November, 1979. Central Statistics Office figures show.

Oil and gas price link

An Iranian proposal to link the price of oil and natural gas has wide support within the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, a spokesman for the organization said. The proposal suggests equalizing oil and gas prices according to their hearing values.

Italian consumer Bill

An inter-party group has tubled a Bill in the Italian senate on consumer protection aimed at implementing European Community discourse. pean Community directives on the subject. The Bill is said to be inspired in part by Britain's Department of Prices and Con-sumer Protection.

Zimbabwe policy

The Zimbabwe Government has unveiled an economic policy designed to create "a socialist designed to create a sociation and egalitarian society". The aim will be to "achieve a greater and more equitable degree of ownership of natural

Gold imports rise

Libya imported 12.7 tons of gold from Britain last month, worth about \$255m (£100m), according to customs statistics. This was sharply up on the four tons or so transferred during the previous two months.

Japanese car sales

Japanese car importers, worried by the threat of import restrictions, plan to increase saies in West Germany by only about 7 per cent this year after a 70 per cent increase in

Chinese orders

Toyota Motor Sales Company has received export orders for about 10,000 trucks, vans and other commercial vehicles from Chinese municipalities, including Peking and Shanghai.

Polish aid agreed Poland's 15 Western creditors

have agreed after a three-day meeting in Paris to provide urgent short term aid to help the Warsaw Government deal with its external debts. No figure was given.

Foreign loans

China will make greater use of foreign loans in future to extend export oriented indus-tries or to import technology which China cannot produce

Irag car industry

Iraq is to appoint an inter-national consultant in the next few weeks before inviting tenders from world car manufacturers to establish an Iraq car industry.

Australia steel

The Broken Hill Proprietary Company, Australia's only raw steel maker, said January out-put was 721,000 tonnes, against 644,000 tonnes in December.

French retail prices French retail prices rose 1.2 per cent in January after a 0.9 per cent gain in December, to give a year on year rise of

Stand-by credit

Canada's six largest chartered banks, led by the Royal Bank of Canada, are to provide a SC450m (£167.4m) operating stand-by credit facility for International Harvester Credit Corporation of Canada.

Saudi investment

Saudi Arabia is to build a 200,000-tonnes-a-year lubricating oil plant at Yanbu on the Red Sea coast. The plant will be operational by 1985.

Future of UK satellite communications systems rests with Cabinet

Space industry's defence hopes

tion have overshadowed a debate with far reaching implications for the communications and electronics industry, which is hoping to provide the type of advanced satellites being planned for use from 1984 to the turn of the century for military communications and navigation, business systems, direct broadcasting and scientific

The ability of British companies to compete in one of the few sectors of manufacturing with an assured future turns on a decision to be made by the Cabinet on proposals by the Ministry of Defence for a new military communications satellite

This system is to be independent of the American and Nato networks, though it will provide for information to be exchanged between them.

The military requirement for such a project has emerged as the laboratories and factories concerned with the development of space systems in the United Kingdom are beginning to run out of new work. The new military programme, known as Satcom/Skylab IV, would cost about £100m, coming into service in 1984.

Although designed to meet the needs of all the services the specifications have

By Edward Townsend Britain's textile industry can

expect no swift revival in demand, and more closures

money to avoid the monotonous approach of creditors, even more companies may be forced into the extremes of liquidation and receiverships, quite apart from alternative decisions to close individual units and reduce staffing ...

Radical changes for building

societies were recommended yesterday in a report commis-

sioned by National Consumer Council. The wide-ranging document covers virtually every

aspect of the movement from its relations with the Govern-ment to its dealings with local

It was prepared by the Mutual Aid Centre, set up in 1977 by Lord Young of Datt-ington, formally Mc Michael

Young, one of the founders of

the Consumers' Association and

Employment Gazette

of January

stoppages

for 7 years

By Melvyn Westlake
About 213.000 days were lost through industrial stoppages last month, compared with the exceptionally low level in December, of 42,000, according to the Employment Gazerte.
Although the January figure showed an increase, it was lower than that for any January for 12 years, with the exception of 1974.
The number of new recorded

The number of new recorded

stoppages in January was lower than for any comparable period since the early 1940s. The seamen's dispute, stoppages in a car company, a brewery and an

airline accounted for just over balf of the working days lost

The decline in overtime work-

ing is slowing compared to earlier months, but it continued in December (after allowing for seasonal adjustment) and reached its lowest level since the 1950s.

the 1950s.

The number of overtime hours worked by blue-collar employees in manufacturing industry in December was 8.2 million. This was 400,000 hours fewer than in November and nearly seven million hours fewer than a year earlier.

The number of hours lost through short-time working in

December was steady at 7.4 million, about two million more than in September, and com-

pares with less than one milion in December 1979. More than 500,000 workers in

manufacturing industry were laid off for all or part of a

Household expenditure

The Family Expenditure Survey shows that household spending in the first half of 1980 was 21 per cent above the comparable period of 1979, in cash terms. But after allowing

for price rises, there was an increase in real terms of less

Expenditure on food rose proportionately less than total cash spending but food prices rose less than prices in general, and this enabled the real level

of expenditure on food to rise by 3.5 per cent over the period.

Cash spending on transport

Cash spending on transport and vehicles went up 34 per cent between the first balves of 1979 and 1980. a greater increase than in any other area Spending on fuel, light and power and on durable household goods rose by only 12 and 2 per cent in cash terms, and was actually lower in real terms.

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week in December.

than 1 ner cent.

Short-time working

Overtime working

in the month.

Lowest level

By Margaret Stone

been issued as Navy, general Army and Air Force requirement—the dominant factor is the need to secure communications for the new Trident submarine force.

... The need of the Royal Navy for command of the Trident missile force requires more communications equipment than are provided through the Nato network. The Ministry of Defence last launched its own satellite, Skynet II, in 1974, Shortly after-wards British defence communications were merged with the Nato system.

But Nato needs are not adequate to cover the range and capacity of communications necessary for the shipboard and submarine purposes of a Trident force. The Nato satellites are designed for a well defined zone or, largely, land-forces using high frequency radio links.

The new network sought by the Ministry of Defence makes an ultra high frequency band essential for command and control of its sea force. One of the main contenders for the project is Marconi Space and Defence Systems, one of the GEC group of companies, which provided Skynet II and has subsequently worked on international satellite com-

munication, technology.

The industrial lobby for the military space system is intense. Marconi maintains

a "deplorable year" when the textile trade received a "severe

Whatever the outcome of this

estate agents, and, borrowers

concerned about the relation-

ship between building societies

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solicitors, estate agents and

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Textile industry review forecasts

ber, the industry employed 44,150 compared with 63,530

These gloomy predictions fol-

A week ago Courtaulds said

it was ending nylon yarn pro-duction in the United Kingdom, with the loss of 1,900 jobs, and

today ICI's annual figures are

expected to include substantial losses in its textile business.

"It has already been widely

forecast that no real improve-ment in general economic con-

ditions can be expected before the final stages of 1981. Not

Radical building society changes urged

Consumer Council.

first chairman of the National

Among the recommendations

made by Lord Young and Miss Marlanne Rigge, director of the

centre, who were joint authors

of the report, are the abolition of the building societies' recom-

mended rate agreement, an ur-gent call for immediate legisla-

tion on societies, greater dis-

closure about lending policy

and a public list of the amount of money each society receives

from professional sources.
The authors' findings are

based on talks with building

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The Tamersall's report says:

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a year earlier,

Last year there were only two months when the number of workers in the clothing and textiles industry declined by less than 1,000, and one of those was the holiday month of August. By the end of December 1,000, and one of the content of the conte

in ground stations and spaceborne electranks and communications equipment for the new generation of snace stations in question. It claims it is the only company to have acted as prime contractor for an operational communications satellite

In addition to improving the company's ability to compete for the growing demand for communication satellites, the new project would provide 700 jobs immediately and 1,200 more in the long term. But the platform for carrying the equipment in space would be of American

An alternative scheme proposed by British Aerospace is for a platform built in Britain, but with the payload, which makes up to 85 per cent of the work,

Clearly a dilemma of some proportions is building up between the competing philosophies. And the burden of resolving it may rest with a committee, under the chairmanship of Mr Michael Marshall, Parliamentary under Secretary of State at the Department of Industry, which has been asked to look at the health of Britain's telecommunications industry.

Pearce Wright

Shopfloor sit-in at The report says that 1980 was

By R. W. Shakespeare

mauling" but one of the better low yesterday's results from aspects was the reduction in the Carrington Viyella showing a loss of £8.3m last year and expenditure of £21.5m on rement, which regulates world The Multi-Fibre Arrange-ment, which regulates world trade in textiles, seemed to have curtailed arrivals from low-cost areas but had also made it easier for shippers in the developed countries to send

The shoofloor sit-in is being staged at the premises of James Halstead part of the James Hal stead (Holdings) group.

year's renegotiation of the squeement, the report says that 1981 will "come to be known as the year when the die is cast over the whole question of the importation of textiles". in pay negotiations. Union representatives claim there has been a unilateral decision by the management to introduce a new wages deal that would mean the loss of about £200 in holiday pay for sech product. Tattersall's Trade Review of the Cotton and Allied Textile Industries, F. W. Tattersail, Chapel House, 172 Chapel Street, Manchester M3 6BG.

" One of them called out that they would meet us on Monday. We intend to stay put and oc cupy the plant on a rota basis until they agree to reopen nego

mortgage brokers who both Mr Christopher Shaw, man. supply the societies with funds aging director, and his man-agement team was operating and also provide, the authors believe, possibly more than their fair share of borrowers. from a local hotel yesterday. Building Societies and the Consumer. National Consumer Council, 18 Queen Anne's Gate,

PVC plant

About 300 workers at a factory making PVC floor coverings at Whitefield on the northern outskirts of Manches ter have taken over the plant, chained and padlocked the gate, built barricades and refused yesterday to let 200 office staff and management inside. office inside.

It comes after a breakdown

about £200 in boliday pay for each worker.

After the office staff and executives bad been rurned away, Mr John Morris, factory convener for the General and Municipal Workers Union and a local councillor, said: "The only contact we have had with the management is a few shouted remarks from cars.

"One of them called our that

tiations.

Mr Shaw said: "The com-pany views this action as very irresponsible, particularly in the light of the present reces-

is well below existing output. The Minister implies that Sir, Contrary to the view ex-pressed by the Minister of Agriculture in the House of Tate & Lyle's undertaking to market existing quantities of commons debate, the changing cane sugar from the African balance in the sugar market has little to do with declining Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) states, satisfies our commit-ment under the Lome Convendomestic consumption. It is the result of Government policy tion. But commercial contracts and the pursuit of a production of limited duration fall well target for beet sugar which, it short of the undertaking, given

by successive Governments, of an assured market for cane

The balance in the sugar market

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

is now acknowledged, is un-likely to be attained. This is manifest in the slow sugar on a continuing basis. expansion of the beet acreage Furthermore, Tate & Lyle's undertaking will involve plac-ing about 125,000 tons of ACP and the British Sugar Corporation's decision to close four of its 17 factories. Even then, BSC will have surplus processing capacity in all but above sugar per year in France, largely at the expense of cane sugar from the French overseas average years. The minimum departments (DOM) of Guadeeconomic size for an established loupe, Martinique and Réunion. beet factory is about 40,000 tons Because they are constitutionally part of France, DOM sugar of sugar per year; for a new factory it is over 70,000 tons. On this criteria, at least three is subject to administrative more factories, which along arrangements which differ from with several others have not those which cover ACP sugar, been included in the BSC's This allows DOM sugar to be those which cover ACP sugar. This allows DOM sugar to be disposed of on the world market modernization programme, must be regarded as uneconomic. with the aid of export subsidies. This suggests that BSC's most The overall result will be a

profitable level of production reduction in cane sugar from developing countries refined and marketed in the European Community.

The reduction in case sugar imports will deprive Britain of its most reliable source of supply. Moreover, growing de-pendence on the highly variable domestic beet crop could result in increased imports of Eurapean beet sugar. Once firmly established in the market, it would not be difficult for European sugar manufacturers to eliminate Tate & Lyle's Greenock refinery or BSC's heer factories in the West Midlands. It would be interesting to know at what stage our major industrial sugar users would then decide that their interests are best served by moving closer to their European source

Yours faithfully, IAN SMITH, Pepartment of Economics, The University. Newcastle upon Tyne, NE1 7RU

Restraining energy demand Examining

Government's nuclear power programme hint that it is not just the nuclear power industry that is in disarray but the Government's energy policy. They have discovered that the Department of Energy has no idea whether it is more cost effective to spend £1,300m on a single puclear power station or to spend the same amount on energy conservat-

From Mr Ian Smith

British energy policy is lonsided, being based on supply-ing the unrestrained demand for energy rather than on the prudent management of our

Your leader (February 19)
suggests that the Government

nuclear industry needs the assurance of stable policies. I would suggest that this is a profligate attitude, inappro-priate for Britain in the 1980s.

A more mature and balanced approach to energy use in required. The nations which will survive energy supply shortages are those which recognize that energy use is a cost rather than a benefit and have the wit to restrain demand in rond time. Yours faithfully.

HUGH RICHARDS. Transediv. Hundred House. Liandrindod Wells, From Mr H. Berger

We are both consumers. What possible justification is there for this discrimination? Yours faithfully,

Tale of a matchbox radio

From Mr J. G. M. Stamp Sir, With reference to the article by Kenneth Owen on page 20 in The Times today (February 19), all credit to the genius of Mr Clive Sinclair for his pocket-size TV sec, mioi calculators, and other remark-able miniaturization of instru-

But he was not the originator of the marchbox radio. I had such a radio in 1923—18 years before Mr Sinclair was born. The innards consisted of two small coils of wire about the diameter of a 2p coin, also a cat's whisker, a tiny piece of Hertzite crystal held by a paper

There were four mini snap-on rings two at each end of the tray. One served the head-phones, the other end served the mini plugs for an serial (the wire mattress of my bed) and an "earth" (the brass pipe to the gas fire). It really did

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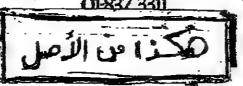
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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Carrington's rearguard action

the savage contraction this has entailed, may have been precipitated by the worst recession in textiles since the 1930s. But it is clear too that Carrington's problems, as with others in the industry, have sprung from its failure to act sooner in reducing its commitment to bulk textiles.

Its over-exposure in the heavy end of the industry together with dependence on the United Kingdom market, where import penetration has been rising steadily during the 1970s and the past year has seen degocking by retailers on an unprecedented scale, have led to losses in 1980 far higher than anyone expected. Ignoring the previous year's above-the-line rationalization costs, there was a £19.2m turnround to losses of £8.3m pretax rising to £31.6m at

the bottom line. The size of the closure and redundancy £21.5m-is evidence that, if slow to act before. Carrington has been making up for this. The workforce has been cut by over a quarter with half the redundancies occurring in the woven fabrics division. At present levels of demand and prices Carrington cannot make profits after interest charges, but it should not take much of a pick-up now to put such a highly geared operation back in the black.

There is also encouragement to be drawn from the way Carrington has managed to control cash and actually reduce borrowings by £4m to £57m net, mainly by squeezing £21m cut of stocks. So despite the huge write-down to reserves, gearing has only risen from 50 to 64 per cent of shareholders'

Of course, there were still about £8m of cash closure costs and perhaps £2m of writedowns hiding in creditors at the year endand yet to flow out.

But over 1981 Carrington still expects to cut borrowings again and having won the support of its bankers when it ran into technical default on some loans last October, Carrington's survival now looks reasonably assured. Recovery, though, may be a long haul. The drop in demand seems to have bottomed out and the recent fall in sterling will take some of the import pressure off Carrington. But even up 1p at 131p the shares are not taking anything for granted.

• Having set out the likely pattern for the remainder of this year at the time of its £47m rights issue just before Christmas, Iohnson Matthey is now delivering the

Profits after nine months are running ome £10m chead of this point last year n £30.3m, and there is no doubt, as the ompany promised, that it will comfortably exceed last year's profit of £38.6m in the 980-81 period.

The underlying trading picture remains nuch the same as it has for most of the ear: broadly, industrial-related activities netal jabricating, colour printing and so orth—are finding recessionary conditions in he United Kingdom hard going, while JM's incarcial, banking and dealing businesses ontinue to flourish, bolstered of course by olatile metal prices.

... Meanwhile, the balance sheet is rock solid. eccipt of the rights money a couple of reeks ago, and plans for a chemical expanion in the United States and a number of equisitions are all progressing.

JM is a cyclical stock and next year may iot be so buoyant, but its approach suggests hat a share price of 229p to yield around if per cent on the forecast dividend and elling at perhaps 81 times likely earnings sustainable.

imperial Group

Trying to turn the tide

After the recent restructuring, Imperial Proup's priorities are to life profits out of the five year rut that has seen published arnings drop from a peak 15.5p to 11.3p t share last year despite a near one-third ise in capital employed to £1,689m.

Reading between the lines of the latest unual report, management still regard this is a daunting task. Apart from tobacco, the ash generating machine which rolls on hrough thick and thin, there is still a lor to be squeezed out of the other businesses. Remedial action on the food side will have

Carrington Vivella's battle for survival, and the biggest impact on the bottom line and so the biggest impact on the bottom line and so long as the group can get back to break-even in eggs and poultry—about the most that can be expected—trading profits here are capable of rising from last year's depressed \$10m to more than £40m in a good year.

Now that Courage's production problems have largely been solved with the new Berkshire brewery attention is being turned.

Berkshire brewery, attention is being turned to improving the tied houses to push Courage's return on capital employed up to the 12-14 per cent average of the other big brewers.

And there is now the challenge of making Howard Johnson's assets work more profite ably. Last year this made a small contribution net of financing costs and Imperial clearly thinks that Ho-Jo can improve under its wing once it shakes off its more conservations and interest and in vative traditions.

But Imperial does not seem to be allowing the profits famine to overshadow it. True, even before the cost of the Ho-Jo purchase and despite the £77m fall in working capital Imperial ran a cash deficit last year but there is no sign of this cramping its capital

spending commitments. The group is confident that last year's f32.6m ACT write-off caused by the low level of United Kingdom profits will soon be brought back. The \$205m revaluation surplus at Ho-Jo has taken some of the pressure off the balance sheet where gean ing will in any case fall this year from 78 to 65 per cent as its gilts holdings are used to repay eurodollar debt. But that figure is still probably 10-15 points higher than it should be for a company in Imperial's line of business. Imperial remains a group that has to convince investors that it can really make a diversification work Those doubts are reflected in the 13 per

ConsGold

New look for Australia

Consolidated Gold Fields' reorganization of its Australian interests is not before time. The tangled two-tier, or in some cases three tier, management structure had long been unwieldy. And it must often have seemed to shareholders that the company showed more interest in South Africa, or the United Kingdom, or more recently the United States, than in Australia just when that country was experiencing its greatest min-

But to be fair, part of ConsGold's problem has been how to satisfy all the diverse Australian interests—not least the government -while not watering down its holding and therefore that of investors. It need not matter that ConsGold ends up with less than 50 per cent of the new merged com-pany. It is important, however, that the new company is so capitalized as to maintain the value of shareholders' stakes.

This is as important for the minority shareholders in Mount Lyell Renison and Associated Minerals as for everyone else. It is also essential in another sense, that the majority of the new company will be publicly quoted and ConsGold will not want rrassment of water investors turn their noses up at the offer. Certainly, the merger is clear evidence of the determination of ConsGold's management to realize the group's potential. The beauty, of the Australian re-arrangement however, is that it should cost very little. ConsGold shareholders should sit tight.

• Spring seems to have come early to the discount houses this year. he steady fall in period rates in the money markets and the improved performance of the short gilt market should be making it a rather pleasant February. What is more, prospects over the coming months look reasonably good, too, provided, that is, the Bank of England does not twn up any impleasant surprises with its final proposals on the liquidity arrangements for the banking

Meanwhile, Gillett Brothers, which pro-vided its own nasty surprise last year by slashing its dividend, has more than made up by the cut this time round. Profits, after tax and transfers to inner reserves, have recovered from £111,000 to £575,000, and the full year dividend goes up from 10.5p to 17.71p a share to give a gross yield of 9.9 per cent with the shares 18p higher at

Economic notebook

Case for a controlled devaluation

After twelve months of worrying spasmodically about the happens. The Government is
high level of sterling, but of going to have to take risks now
doing precious hittle about it,
the Government appears to have

The real questions in the the Government appears to have come to the conclusion that the time has finally arrived for a rather more positive approach.

Clearly, when an exchange rate has risen on overage by some 15 per cent in a year (and by a good deal more against some currencies), when the competitiveness of manufacturing industry has continued to decline steeply, when apportant are reporting a sharp fall in are reporting a sharp fall in new orders and when industries which compete with imports are going to the wall, the situation must cell for review.

must call for review.

The conclusions to which the Government is moving are not, however, entirely obvious as yet. Are we simply moving towards a short-term change in emphasis which will temporarily clow exchange rate considerations to take priority over domestic monetary considerations? Or are we about to see an alto-gether more radical rethinking

of policy?
The conventional wisdom of the present Government has, of course, been that the role of government is to control the domestic money supply. Theor-etically, that means that government concentrates on regulating the quantity of money in the economy, leaving market forces to determine both the internal and external price

of the money.

In other words, it does not attempt to ramper with interest rates or the exchange rate.

This Government has come rathed closer to purity in terms of the external than the inter-ual pricing of money. Inter-vention in the foreign exchange markets to influence the level of sterling has been essentially confined to smoothing opera-

Domestically, however, the Government has allowed the monetary authorities to set short-term interest rates at the level of their choice rather than

allowing rates to be determined solely by market forces. Indeed, it is partly because of this, some monetarists would argue, that a foreign exchange "problem" has arisen at all. Their argument is that, had the Government allowed market forces to drive interest rates (and probably the exchange rate, too) appreciably higher during the spring of 1930, interest rates—and hence the exchange rate—would probably have been significantly lower have been significantly lower

Reaction

That is as maybe: we will never know for certain, But the argument certainly contains more than a grain of truth. Once monetary growth slows and interest rates fall, there is every reason to suppose that there will also be a downward reaction in the exchange rate— other things being equal, which, of course, they seldom are. The main caveat is the be-

still not lower the exchange rate if other international rates are falling, too. At present the likely trend in other countries interest rates is far from clear. German rates have already been pushed up by the authorities there in order to narrow the differential with dollar interest rates. That move could be smartly reversed if dollar interest rates continue their recent decline. But there must be considerable doubt as to where United States interest rates will head later this year, if the Reagan Administration starts to run into problems with its proposals for reducing federal spending.

As far as our own Govern-ment is concerned, then, the extent of United Kingdom interest rate cuts that may be necessary to achieve a given devaluation of the pound is almost impossible to assess. But that does not mean that it should not proceed (preferably in moderate steps rather than in

whichever way it moves.

The real questions in the minds of officials at present are Can a larrich cut in interest

rates over, say, the next three months, be justified after last year's monetary shambles? Can it be afforded in terms of the monetary commitments of the medium-term financial STREET ? Can a devaluation ever be a controlled "devaluation? And,

if it becomes uncontrolled, how great would be the potential havoc in unleashing new inflationary forces and undermining United Kingdom capital The behaviour of the mone tary aggregates may have been a mess last year, but ar present the signals firmly point to a significant slowdown in all the important monetary indicators, with the exception perhaps of public sector borrowing.

Absurd

Given this, and given the reasonable expectation of an inflation rate of perhaps 9-10 per cent this year, short-term interest rates in this country are absurdly high in real terms. At this particular point in the cycle prime corporate borrowers should be able to borrow at least 4 per cent more cheaply on overdraft than at present (15 per cent) and probably a point or two more cheaply than they at present borrow in money markets (around 12) per cent for three-

month to 12-month money).

As I have soid, it can never be quite certain what kind of effect such an interest rate structure would have on sterling. To the extent that it would probably leave the prospective real interest rate a good point or two lower than that available on dollars or, more particularly. Deutsch-marks, I would guess that the impact could be quite signifi-cant, norwithstanding sterling's underpinning as a petro-currency. (Hence the need to proceed with a degree of

caution). How serious, then, might be the domestic corollaries of such a move? The great fear, of course, is the implication for United Kingdom inflation as import costs start to rise, as the liquidity squeeze on the corporate sector eases and as the wealth effect of lower interest rates and rising capital values stimulates the personal sector to turn its "excess" liquid holdings into consumer

Certainly, there is no doubt that the high exchange rate over the last year has - at a price - been the main contributor to the sharpness of the fall in the domestic inflation rate. It must follow, therefore, that a large cut in interest rates and The main caveat is the be-haviour of relative interest rate could put some of those rates. In other words, if sterling hard won gains at risk.

Arguably, though, such a still not lower the exchange rate danger could be substantially a imiler

offset by the present state of the labour market (or at least large sections of it), by a right Budget, by aggressive sales of National Savings to mop up per-National Savings to mop up per-sonal liquidity and by accep-tance of the fact that funding at the longer end of the gilt market may have to be rather more costly than had been hoped (barring the introduction of a few index linked issues).

As far as domestic money supply and the medium-term financial strategy go, the price to be paid could well turn out to be one of needing to keep a number of options open (at the risk of some loss of confidence to the contract of the risk of some loss of confidence there are no recovery money are dence) than a serious monetary explosion. How great that risk may be will depend in large measure on the size of the profeesure on the size of the pro-jected public sector borrowing requirement for 1981-82 and the Government's ability to lend it credibility by keeping public sector pay on target.

John Whitmore

BL-Honda: obstacles on the route into Europe

BL's new Honda-designed car, the Triumph Acclaim, is still seven months away from its launch date, but already the con-groversial deal is proving so attractive to both companies that they are negotiating further ioint ventures.

joint ventures.

For a capital investment of only £70m—less than the cost of one new engine—BL has acquired an up-market saloon to provide much needed backing for the successful Metro. It will also help to bridge the gap in its model range before the new all-British LM10 medium saloon acopears in two and a half years' eppears in two and a half years'

fime.

For Honda, a fairly late arrival in the United Kingdom, the deal has provided a way around the mounting European opposition to Japanese car imports. It remains to be seen, however, whether aniagonism to the Anglo-Japanese deal will prevent the Acclaim being sold in mainland Europe as a "local product."

> The French motor manufacturers are openly critical of BL's insistence that the Acclaim has the 50 per cent EEC content required for it to qualify at a Community product, and doubts, about the European reaction may delay decisions in the present talks with Honda. Five fully automated body pressing lines have been installed at Cowley to produce body panels, using tooling supplied by Honda. BL, has made large savings by transferring large savings by transferring
> 15 reconditioned presses from
> its recently closed Castle Bromwich factory and supplementing
> them with five new ones. The
> first panels were pressed last

The French motor mann

An adjoining shop, which used to produce bodies for the now defunct MG sports car range, has been reequipped with a new body building line. It is not as automated as the "robotized" Metro line at

Clifford Webb

Longbridge, but it has greater flexibility, enabling BL to switch production from one derivative of Acclaim to another in less than 20 minutes. It is already suggested that the first model—a four-door Anglicized version of the existing Honda Ballade—will be followed by a harchback.

The paint finish on Honda cars, the envy of its rivals, is achieved by a system known as carbodic electro-coating.

BL has installed a cathodic plant in a new three-tier building at Cowley. About half the £70m invested in the Acclaim went into this project. But, with a capacity of 3,500 bodies weekly, it is clearly designed with further new models in with further new models in

Final assembly and trim will be done in the shop which at present completes the Maxi and the Princess. The Maxi is being phased out to clear one of the two tracks for the Acciaim. Engines will be installed by hydraulic lifts operating under the track—the first time this has been done at BL. The old system of lowering the body on to the "power train" required much manoeuvring by hand, in-volving minor, but rust prone,

Engines, gearboxes, and other components will be shipped by container from Japan to Tilbury.

Initial production is due to Initial production is due to start in April, so there is little time to iron out the inevirable. bugs before volume output begins in June. This will build up stocks for the launch at the National Exhibition Centre Motor Show in October.

Mr Harold Musgrove, the head of all BL car operations

head of all BL car operations "We as except Jaguar, admits that he cussions is up against tight deadlines, bottom libut is convinced that he will tiveness."

meet them. The men in the team which got the Metro under way are now working like slaves on the Acclaim to prove that the Metro's success was not a fluke, he says.

"For the first time for many that the horse for the process."

"For the first time for many years, we have got the opposition worrying about us instead of the other way round."

Mr Musgrove says that further ventures which offer a good return to both parties are being actively discussed. "We reckon that the Acclaim deal has saved 10,000 jobs in our factories and those of our suppliers. If we can save more jobs, why not?"

He refuses to throw any

He refuses to throw any light on future deals, but one possible area is believed to be the production under licence of Honda engines and gearboxes. This would enable BL to update its power train range in a much shorter time span and at a saving of millions of pounds on development work.

Of the widespread discontent among British companies at their small stake in the Acctaim Mr Musgrove says:

"We are buying locally produced tyres, batteries, glass, seats, carpers, drive shafts and radiators. In our view the Honda content is only 30 percent of the ex-works price of the car."

He insists that the component and at a saving of millions of

He insists that the component lobby's claim that the Japanese content is more than half is based on the cost of materials

"Some of our componen people have been taking us to the cleaners for years. We have tightened up considerably and naturally some of them don't like it. But the plain fact is that we cannot afford to pay more for our bits and pieces than the competition is paying.
"We are holding a lot of dis-

cussions with suppliers but the bottom line has to be competi-

Simon Scott Plummer

What's in a name for Korea's piano makers?

The first thing which strikes you on visiting a Korean piano factory, spart from the pervasive smell of glue, is the variety of brandnames stamped on the instruments. On a recent tour of manufacturers in Inchon, an industrial town west of Seoul, I asked my guides why they were so keen on con-cealing the identity of their product. They replied that, as Korean companies are not yet household names in the musical world, nearly all the foreign customers themselves select the names under which the pianos will be sent to them.

Thus instruments marked "Alex Steinbach" go to Hol-land, while French dealers take them under the names of "Otto Renner" and "Choiseul". For Singapore the choice is "Stein-meyer" and "J. Thompson" and for Hongkong "Stein-burg" and "Bachmann".

For Japan pianos are marked
"Rosenstock", "Klingel",
"Gilbert" and "Melford";
for the United States "Stegler"
and "Schumann"; and for
Canada "Wagner" and
"Landauer".

German sounding names pre-dominate and it is not difficult to imagine an inscrupulous piano desler selling a Korean instrument to a customer on the basis that it was made in West Germany, the country with the greatest reputation for planes. Although the country of origin may be stated on the instrument when it leaves the factory, showroom.

For instance, if you saw an instrument marked "Karl Müller Schutzmarke", or "Weber Berlin", the final word in each case reminiscent of the Bechstein trademark, would you guess that it was from

British dealers sell Korean pianos are less confusing.

Robert Morley of south-east in 1980.

London uses its trade-mark "Elysian", J. Reid of Tottenham his own name; J. Wood of Huddersfield the name of the manufacturer. Sam Ick; and Rushworth of Liverpool either its trade mark "Apollo" or Sam Ick.

British dealers sell Korean more than six times greater than their of the British industry in 1980.

This is shared among 20 or so makers, of which the biggest are Sam Ick. Young Chang, Hanil and Saujin. According to the KMIA, the first two account for four fifths of the domestic market.

The main markets for South

However, the British Plano Manufacturers' Association (PMA) is concerned that Korean instruments marked "Alex Steinbach" are coming into Britain via Holland and that dealers and customers may think that they are of German or Dutch origin. "Alex Stein-bach" is the name under which Sam Ick sends pianos to Rufra trading company in Rotterdam. Rufra reexports about 60 of these each year to Britain, where they sell for around

The PMA wants the Government to bring in regulations which would ensure that the origin of pianos is clearly and permanently marked on the instruments. At present there substantial amount of work on the piano before it is ready for J. Reid sells a Sam Ick upright for £750 and J. Wood and Rushworth sell the same make for about £900.

it is not at all obvious to the is often nothing more than a potential buyer looking round a sticker, which can be removed

as easily as it was stuck on.
In 25 years the South Korean
piano industry has grown to be
the third largest in the noncommunist world after its
counterparts in Japan and the United States, According to the Korea Musical Instrument Inyou guess that it was from dustry Association (KMIA), production is expected to be about 90,000 units this year, more than six times greater than the following. Moreover Moreover of south-est in 1980

The main markets for South Korean pianos are Italy, the United States, France and Japan, Britain took 242 pianos from Sam Ick last year and 150 from Sam Ick last year and 150 from Young Chang. The latter quotes a f.o.b. price of \$839 (£375) for its cheapest upright, the U107, which is retailed by Morley's, its sole British customer, at £1,290. At this price it is more expensive than some British makes.

Morley's says that the difference between the two figures is due mainly to the figures is due mainly to the fact that they have to do a substantial amount of work on the piano before it is ready for

Business Diary: Wine, women and Hongkong

was in the City yesterday, is

number two for Holiday Inn

in Asia (husband Rudiger is

Shanghai soon to tell the

Chinese that what they really

Eager as they may be to

by western standards most

accommodation there is auful.

colony will be glad to know that there is likely to be over-capacity on the hotel market shortly, with a consequent hotel

Hongkong, where the Koppens are based, is to have a second Holiday Irm. Visitors to the increasingly expensive

need is a Holiday Inn.

Alan Edis, 41, caused a stir in the motor industry when he resigned and left BL two months ago. A former product planning director of Leyland Cars, he had more recently been coordinating the supply pipeline from Honda Japan to BL's Cowley plant where the Honda - designed Triumph Acclaim will shortly be going into production.

No I learn that he is joining the main board of Supra, the Midland-based components group. His departure at such a critical stage in the launching of a new car caused a buzz of speculation suggesting a behind-the-scenes row after yet another managerial reorganization.

ganization.

Edis himself steadfastly refused to be drawn. Last night he was equally tight-lipped. Can it be that as commercial director for Supra with direct responsibility for building up its parts business he will have to deal with his old company? BL is already one of Supra's biggest customers. biggest customers.

Supra is headed by Quinton Hazell, who went into business at Colwyn Bay in 1946 with \$100 capital and a small work-shop. He built the firm bearing his own name into the largest auto-replacement parts business in Europe with a turnover of more than £40m.

To 1972 he sold our to

Burmah Oil. Two years later he acquired a 30 per cent interest in Sugra from the Neal family and began expanding it from its original base as a supplier to motor manufacturers to one with interests in the more profitable replacement field.



Roy Ash was one of the whizz-kids of the conglomerate age, founding Litton Industries and developing new business strategies to startle the finan-cial markets of the 1960s.

He was a force in Republican politics and a power in the land as budget director from 1972 to 1975 in American administrations. Now he has stumbled.

sales have surged anead and are now worth about \$1,000m a year, profits have been so small as recently to fade into 1975 in American administrations. New he has stumbled.

Ash had plans and opposed a recently of 14 new care.

tions. Now he has stumbled. Ash, 62, has resigned as special share sale of 14 per cent chairman and chief executive of the company's stock for officer of AM International, the \$25.6m to the large mutual

Mrs Koppen was in London on a marketing mission. She told Business Diary: "There has definitely been a softening in the market already and by next year there will be a lot of overcapacity. There is a lot of price-cutting at the moment, though we are not joining in." troubled duplicator company formerly known as Addresso-graph-Multigraph Incorporated He joined the company in 1976 to rejuvenate it, but, although sales have surged ahead and are

See Foon Koppen (left), who fund company, Madison Fund. Madison is now the largest shareholder and this is one reason perhaps for Ash's going.

Mary Conningham has taken number one). She will be in o mary continguam has taken to drink, but only in the strict business sease. The 29-year-old executive with a Harvard University business degree, rushed through the ranks of the Bendix Corporation only to quit after unfounded has parentary attract tourists, the Chinese have so far stopped short of allowing western firms to run hotels within their borders, so

Corporation only to quit after unfounded but persistent runrours of a romance between her and the Bendix chairman, William Ages.

Now she has taken a top pust at the United States subsidiary of the Canadian Seagram distilling empire, owners of Chivas Regal Scotch here.

Her title of vice-president for strategic planning at Seagram is a little misleading, because she will not be directly involved in the company's new acquisitions and diversification moves. Canadian Seagram has cash in hand of more than \$4,000m and one of the biggent questions being asked in North American markets is what it plans to do with it all.

Miss Cumingham will-not be involved in this area of the Bronfman family business, despite her title, Instead she will be concentrating on developing

Bronfman family business, despite her title. Instead she will be concentrating on developing a global marketing of the many Californian and European wines that are sold by Seagrams.

Coordinating the assorted wine businesses will be one of her first big tasks. She will report direct to Edgar Bronfman. port direct to Edgar Broniman, chairman and chief executive officer of Joseph E. Seagram

and Sons Incorporated.

Bronfman has had romantic troubles of his own. He won an annulment in 1974 after two months' marriage to Lady Carolyn Townshend.

What do Virgins Farm, Genesis Green, Rake Manor and Breaky Bottom have in common? Give in? Well, they are all

English vineyards, as I discovered yesterday when I went along to the party given by the English Tourist Board and the English County Cheese Coun-They were launching this year's EIB Taste of England

year's ETB Taste of England guide and a competition open to caterors and a catering employees who prepare the best "Ploughman's Platter".

Ploughman's lunch is, of course, staple businessperson's sustenance, but I guther the expression is of recent coinage. I was told that it goes back to the mid-1950s and to Sir Richard Trehame, the founder-chairman of the county cheese

He, it is said, applied the term to a bread and cheese meal served him in a pub. I could not reach Sir Richard yesterday, but I look forward to hearing the full story from him.

chairman of the country cheese

There was a nice moment yesterday at the reception to launch the English Tourist Board's Taste of England restaurant guide. A competition to guess the weight of a loaf was won not by a guest but by an ETB employee. He had joined the board but two days before from the Department of Trade, among whose responsibilities is weights and measures. And part of his Taste of Eng-land prize was a bottle of Ger-

Ross Davies

Gillett Brothers Discount Company Limited

Preliminary Results



- The directors of Gillett Brothers Discount Co Ltd announce the results (subject to audit) for the year ended 31st January, 1981.

	1981	1980
	£	£
Group profit for the year after tax and transfer		
to contingencies (1980 group balance after tax		
and transfer from contingencies)	574,785	110,666
Balance brought forward	44,917	226,825
	619,702	337,491
Dividends paid and proposed	489,269	292,574
Balance carried forward	£130,433	£44,917

The directors propose a final dividend of 10.71% (15.3% gross). Together with the interim dividend paid in August last of 7% (10% gross) this amounts to a total of 17.71% (25.3% gross), for the year. Dividends paid in the previous year were an interim of 7% (10% gross) and a final of 3.5% (5% gross).

The following are the main items shown by the consolidated balance sheet.

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Total capital and published reserves	. 4,541,212	٠,	4,455,696	•
Bills discounted	161,995,047		164,666,272	
Sterling and dollar certificates of deposit and currency instruments	6,416,455		3,407,048	
Listed investments	20,346,332		. 12,809,172	
Contingent liability on commercial and other bills discounted	134,389,000		150,803,000	

Stock markets

Equities break 500-barrier on Budget hopes

news from ICI, reporting later cent in the Budget but this did today.

Selective buying in a thin market was again responsible, although dealers reported an increase in volume. Further worries about a confrontation over pay between the Government and various public sector workers, including the railwaymen, civil servants and water and sewage workers, was dis-counted for the time being.

Jobbers remained bemused by the continued strength of equities and kept a careful eye on the FT Index which had been threatening to burst through the 500-barrier throughout the sesnion. It finally broke through after hours, in spite of Wall Street opening lower, and closed 7.5 higher at 502.0—the highest since November 24 when it reached 508.2 after the last cut

Investors attention was again focussed on several special situations including the companies likely to gain most from the work involved with the royal wedding.
Among those continuing to

benefit from the news were Birmingham Mint up 7p at 230p, Wedgwood 3p to 76p, Stafford-shire Potteries 1p to 50p, Wade Potteries 2p to 54p and Black & Edgington unchanged at 38p. Royal Worcester, another beneficiary, slipped 3p to 290p on profit taking, while among Lonprofit taking, while among London hotels expected to find increased trade. Trusthouse hardened 4p to 204p and Grand Metropolitau 3p to 174p.

Gilts, on the other hand, came in for a certain amount of profit taking in the wake of the exhaustion of the new tap

ings, the independent Norwich-

based banking, financial ser-

vices, property and investments group, is making a rights issue of £624,000, 8 per cent conver-

tible unsecured loan stock 1983-

86 at par offered on the basis of £3 of loan stock for every five ordinary shares held. The

new funds will be used to

develop the three main areas of

the group's activity, banking

development and investments in

Commenting in the circular,

on trading prospects, Mr Fred-erick Rollason, the chairman,

says: "The group has successfully emerged from difficult

times and is now well placed to

provide financial and merchant

banking services on a wider scale to a broad range of cus-

Holdings Co is heading a con-

sortium formed to explore for coal deposits in the Philip-

pines. Felow consortium mem-bers are Marcopper Mining

Corporation, Placer Develop-ment and Isabella Coal and

Energy Corporation. Burnett controls about 67 per cent of

It has been granted the right

to explore and subsequently mine on the island of Luzon.

J.F Nash proposals

for Reliant approved

At J. F. Nash Securities, resolutions approving the de-

the consortium.

Consortium to mine

coal in Philippines

promising companies.

Prospects of cheaper money Treasury 12 per cent 1986 tion news lifted Estate & in the Budget saw equities surge earlier in the week. Jobbers Agency 20p to 130p in through the 500 barrier yester remained confident that MLR properties. British Sugar was will be reduced by up to 3 per prices £1 lower in longs and £1/16 in shorts.

Leading industrials had another strong run although one jobber admitted that nerves were becoming taut ahead of ICI figures later today. ICI itself was in a confident mood rising 2p to 290p but Beechams, where the delay in introducing the new drug Augmentin is causing worries, fell 3p to 164p. ahead to market its own drug

also a firm market rising 8p to 283p ahead of the Monopolies and Mergers Com-

Expect sharp activity in the loan stocks of the First National Finance Corporation now that the company has decided to pay off the arrears of interest. The 91 per cent 1992/97 has £57 worth of arrears and is currently trading

bounded 14p to 278p on news from S. & W. Berisford due that it had received the go-next week. next week. Speculative attention was focused on Gripperrods, 80 heavier at 138p, S. Lyles 8p to 59p. Western Motor 11p ro 83p, Beales (J.) 3p to 23p, Danks Gowerton 3p to 26p. Richard Clay 5p to 50p and

Knitting 4p to 48p.

made renewed progress 2p better at 178p—a 28p premium on the launch price-while, among electricals, shortage of stock pushed Thorn-EMI 4p higher at 322p with Racal 5p stronger at 363p. Plessey, reporting later today eased nervously 1p to 306p, but Amstrad closed 3p firmer at

loss of confidence and the shares dipped 7p to 118p as Chloride Group added 3p to 40p on the back of its joint venture with Lucas Industries into elecended 6p dearer at 183p.

fords left the shares 4p higher at 56p and Illingworth Morris held firm at 181p despite the loss and no dividend. Interim figures from BPM Holdings left the 'B' shares 4p lower at 70p and Johnson Matthey could only manage a 1p rise to 229p after

Viyella 1p stronger at 13 p on 58m trading loss and no dividend, having recovered from an earlier fall of 11p to 11p. Nottingham Manufacturing, which reported recently, made head-way with a 2p rise to 122p, while in shipping John I. Jacobs, reporting soon, rose 2 p to 39 p. Harrisons Malaysian Estates slipped 1p to 188p on its figures

to 150p on profit taking. Shortage of stock was another sign for a strong performance stores where Moss Bros rose 8p to 188p on the prospect of demand for dress suits for the royal wedding and one large buyer attempting to increase

House of Fraser was wanted. up 3p at 147p, as it prepared to repel the advances of Lourho, unchanged at 101p. Most jobbers now believe that the bid will be referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Com-

Equity turnover on February 24 was £136.681m (18,658 bargains). Active stocks yesterday, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were Shell, Beecham, BP, Allebone, GEC, ICL, National Westminster Bank, BTR, Hawker Siddeley, ICL, Unilever, Lloyds Bank, Arrow Chemicals, BET deferred and Glavo

Traded Options: The strong performance in the main market again bubbled over yesterday as total contracts reached 2,043. Lourho was in demand on 664 contracts along with Imperial

Group on 309 contracts. Traditional Options saw calls in British Aerospace on 13p, First National Finance on 3 p

standing minority. It says that the

particular importance is at-

tached to ensuring that the independence from both parties

involved should be beyond question. The Panel now wants

to approve a draft of all newspaper advertisements—normally used in connexion with a con-

Many of the detailed provisions of the rule relating to "insider dealing" have been removed from the code, Insider

dealing became a criminal offence on June 23 last year.

And the code contains no mention of the down raid rules

which the Markets Committee

of the Council for the Securi-

ties Industry, responsible for drawing up the revision, felt was outside the scope of the

code. The CSI issued a new

set of "dawn raid" rules in December, limiting a first-time

Amstrad tops £1.3m in record first half

By Peter Wainwright Amstrad Consumer Elec-tronics, the hi-fi and home electronics group offered for sale in April 1980 at 85p a share and oversubscribed ten times, reports a 58 per cent increase in sales to £7.6m, and a 51 per cent jump in pretax profits to a record £1.31m for the six and Malakoff Berhad dipped 9p months to December 31. The interim dividend is set at 2.23p a share gross, or at a fifth more than projected in the prospectus.

Mr Alan Sugar, chairman, who will be 34 next month, pointed out that the figures include the peak Christmas sales season. He added: "It would be unwise to conclude that similar rates of growth in turn-over and profits can be sustained during the current six months."

He also stressed that the Inland Revenue's proposals for altering the basis of tax relief on stocks could if imple-mented have a significant effect on Amstrad's future tax lia-bility": In the latest figures tax was set at 52 per cent pending clarification of stock relief. The result was to lift the tax charge from £193,910 to £682,000, and lower net profits from £677.361 to £629,947, However, the divi-

dend absorbs only £53,572 The move to a new 40,000 sq ft factory at Southend-on-Sea bas been completed, but there will be removal costs and some disruption to production. Amstrad's policy is to spot

the success the big companies such as Pioneer and Sanyo have with their own lines and then undercut them with similar models made in the Far East or

the code would trigger an obligation for a full takeover

The new code has banned

the words " present intention"
—normally used by companies

Interim profit

is making an offer for an out- 30 per cent. Then Rule 34 of

Wrighton shares leap on news of bid approach

By Rosemary Unsworth F. Wrighton & Sons, the family controlled kitchen furniture manufacturer, saw its shares shoot up by 22p to 65p yesterday after a takeover approach. The rise added £1m to the market capitalization, putting it at just under £3m. Last night there were still no clues to the identity of the bid-

der although the stock market thought that it would be a United Kingdom company, Since the board, which includes three Wrighton brothers, controls more than 60 per cent of the 4.5m ordinary shares, the bid will have to be agreed. As a result the market thought there might be a helty

premium, if a bid is made, on last night's closing price. Pearl Assurance and Prudential Assurance each have a 7 per cent holding in the group. Last year group pretax profits were £185,000. In the six months to September 30, Wrighton slipped into a £180,000 loss and the board said that poor levels of demand would be a problem for the rest of the year. Wrighton has embarked on a

gramme in the past year and closed down its Walthamstow site and relocated its entire operation one one sue at Nazeing in Hertfordshire. The plan remains to dispose of the Wal. thamstow property, which would reduce net asset value a share from 130p to about 120p. Freehold land and buildings are valued at £4.8m in the last set of accounts.

Among those tipped as possible bidders was Stag Furniture Holdings. But Mr P. V. Radford, the chairman, said he was not interested. Mr John Bentley of Bardsey, who has recently been investing in groups with strong assets, such as F. Pratt, said he never commented on bid suggestions.

Norcros, the manufacturer of Hygena kitchen furniture, was also mentioned but analysts thought it unlikely that the group would want another similar operation, particularly with retail trade in the dol drums.

Mr David Reed of County Bank, Wrighton's financial advisers, said an announcement would be made as soon as pos-sible although one was unlikely before the end of the week. heavy rationalization pro-

BPM down sharply in first half

By Margareta Pagano Results from BPM Holdings revealed vesterday that its main newspapers, the Birmingham Post, Evening Mail and Sunday Mercury, barely broke even in the six months to December.

Group pretax profits were more than halved in the period, down from £3.4m to £1.4m. Turnover increased to £38.3m from £33.3m. However, in line with dividend policy, the board has increased the interim gross payment to 2.25p from 2.05p last time. The "A" shares tumbled 3p to 72p on the news. Sir Michael Clapham, the chairmen, blamed the downturn



Sir Michael Clapham, chairman

on the cyclical nature of newspaper advertising which had been hit by the worst recession since 1945. On the Evening Mail advertising sales were down by 17 per cent and the Birmingham Post saw a 5 per cent decline.
Job advertising was down by
about 70 per cent, but revenue
has held up on the retailing

display side. The two daily newspapers and the Sunday paper just about broke even compared with profits of some £1.75m in the same period last time, Ma Geoffrey Battman, the financial director, said. He added that the group has probably seen the worst with current trading bumping along ".

plans £4.5m deal

Estates & Agency Holdings is

taking a big step in buying, if shareholders agree, Edgbaston Investment Trust, a private property investment company.

loan reypayable in five years,

and the rest in shares for a concern that would effectively

summer. Consolidated sales this year are forecast to rise to about 3,300bn yen and net profits to about 137,000m yen (£296m), **Estates & Agency**

Thomson in joint bid

The group predicted that VTR production in Japan would

soar to about 7m units this year from about 4m last year, aided by rising domestic demand as well as overseas.

Among other main products, sales of colour TV sets, radios, stereo systems and electronic

components rose by 38 per cent to about 1,400bn yen. Sales of refrigerators, washing machines

and air-conditioners levelled off at about 710,000m yea, partly because of the abnormally cool

Thomson Newspapers, Canada's largest newspaper chain, has made a joint bid with Nu-West Group, worth Can \$263.5m (about £98m) for 45 per cent of Estates & Agency plans to pay £4.55m, of which £3.04m would be in the form of a bank

Abitibl. Price Ltd.

Abitibl., the world's largest newsprint producer, is studying the joint bid. Last week, Abitible Last wee tibi's board rejected an offer from Olympia and York Deter oppients as being too low and ere reported as looking for a new partner.

Engelhard Minerals and Chemicals, the United States, group controlled by Mr Harry Hoppenheimer, has reportedly

Berisfords slumps by 79pc By Our Financial Staff

Second-half profits at Berisfords, the Cheshire-based rib-bons, trimmings and labels group, were an improvement over those of the first six months, but full-year pretax profits fell by 79 per cent.

In the year to November 24 pretax profits fell from £1.2m to £256,000 while turnover rose fractionally from £10.2m to £10.4m. But, although the group had said that the final dividend directors have decided to pay an unchanged final of 3.7p gross, making a maintained total of 5.4p, "as the group is now operating on a more efficient basis with slimmed overheads and borrowings significantly lower than at the half year ".

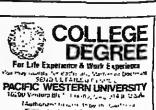
Trading profit fell from £1.36m in 1979 to £643,000 last year. Interest charges rose from £166,000 to £345,000 and the group was forced to pay for redundancies and reorganiza-tion. It was also hit by a 25 per cent increase in energy costs and a 23 per cent rise in rates. Mr John Sebire, the chairman, said that one of the brighter spots in the year had been the level of exports. This amounted to a quarter of sales, enabling the group to keep throughout the year. problem lay with the strength of sterling which resulted in

little contribution to profit he said. The workforce has been trimmed by 24 per cent to 700 but this was achieved mainly through natural wastage.

Advance corporation tax has been written off as this is unlikely to be recoverable within a year, thus increasing the tax charge by £147,000 to £200,000.

Bank Base Rates

ABN Bank 14,% Barclays 14% BCCI 14% Consolidated Crdts 14% C. Hoare & Co .. *14 % Lloyds Bank 14% Midland Bank 14% Nat Westmioster .. 14% Rossminster 14% TSB 14 % Williams and Glyn's 14% * 7 day deposit on sums of \$10,000 and under 117.50, ut to \$250,000 \$150 a. 000 \$250,000 \$250 a.



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High Jugg	Low	Company	Price	Ch'gr	Ora Dittp:) iq	μE
75	39	Airsprung Group	65		6.7	10.3	5.9
44	21	Armitage & Rhodes	42		1.4	3.3	17
192	923	Bardon Hill	189	_	9.7	5.1	7.
98	88	Deborah Services	95		5.5	5.8	4.
126	88	Frank Horsell	106	_	6.4	6.0	3.
110	51	Frederick Parker	51	_	11.0	21.6	2
110	74	George Blair	75	. —	3.1	4.1	_
110	59	Jackson Group	107		6.9	6.4	4.
124	103	James Burrough	119	-1	79	65	9.
334	244	Robert Jenkins	330	_	31.3	9.5	_
55	50	Scruttons "A"	54	_	5.3	9.8	3 !
224	215	Torday Limited	216	-1	15.1	7.0	3.3
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103	81	Walter Alexander	103	_	5.7	5.5	5.7
263	181	W. S. Yeates	260	-1	12.1	4.7	4.2

Ventolin in the United States.

Elsewhere, Unilever advanced 3p to 486p, ahead of figures next week, along with Fisons 2p to 140p, Hawker Siddeley 10p to 284p, GKN 1p to 149p and Metal Box 6p to 192p,

Shares of furniture group F. Wrighton leapt 19p to 62p after announcing bid talks with an unnamed suitor and acquisi-

first four months of the current

year, and Mr Nash expects that it will have a successful and expanding future outside the motor industry.

With profits for 1930 dramatically down, Lancashire-based Olives Paper Mill is not

slipped from £5.4m to £5.03m.

cerned, demand is slowly starting to improve and with the

benefit of higher prices, the

board has reason to feel more

The board of Wintrust says that after a good first half, the highly satisfactory trend of profitability has continued and

the directors have every expectation that profits for the full year will be at the highest level ever achieved by the com-

pany.

Over the six months to
September 30, pretax profits
were £782,000 against £706,000.

The second interim rose from
1.24p gross to 1.38p. Earnings a
share were 4.86p against 4.41p.

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record result

As far as the future is con-

No dividend from

Olives Paper Mill

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Rights issue by East

East Anglian Securities Hold- traded satisfactorily in the

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property

Burnen and Hallamshire Wintrust expects

On a brighter note, Glaxo re- mission's report on the bid

Arrow Chemicals 4p to 40p.
Profit taking left Allebone 4p easier at 37p and selling pres-sure was reflected in Marshall Loxley 4p to 28p, Small & third-quarter figures.

Newcomer, British Aerospace

138p after a reasonable trading statement. -Hoover suffered a further

Full-year figures from Beris-

	Latest	results			
	Profits	Earnings	Div	Pay	Year's
	£m	per share	pence	date '	total
	1.31(0.87)	<u> </u>	()	_	—(—)
	0.25(1.2)	1.4(35.8)	2.6(2.6)	_	3.8(3.8)
)	1.44(3.45)	26.1(68.3)	1.58(1.43)	~	-(5.2)
	0.16(0.32).	4.91(13.39)	2.0()	27/4	3.5(4.5)
	8.31*(8.49)	5.58*(3.18)	πil(0.4)	. —	pil(1.10)
	13.9(15.16)	5.09(5.37)	.2.5(2.5)	_	—(8) ,
	1.54(1.5)	4.43(4.32)	2.55(-)	5.15	4.15(-)
	0.48(0.33)	0.72(7.38)	nil(1.5)		—(—)
	0.17*(0.05*)	—(—)	mil(mil)		mil(mil)
	0.38(0.27)	4.34(2.51)	1.3(-)	3/4	2.3(2.1)
	0.78(0.7)	4.86(4.41)	0.97(0.87)	1/4	-(-1
	3.9(3.39)	37,23(28,76)	12.5(12.5)	-	12.5(12.5)
	2.49(2.61)	2.85(3.0)	—(—)	_	—(—)
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Tougher rules for takeovers

tested bid.

By Philip Robinson The Takeover Panel is to adopt a more positive "polic-

tation of the rules. The new

code will become effective immediately, although current bids will be conducted under the old rules.

Although the code contains

no surprises, the Panel is under-

lining a number of points to the

financial advisers. It says that its advice should be sought when an adviser buys shares for

a discretionary client in a com-

pany for which another of its

clients have made or may make

a takeover bid. It stresses the high degree of responsibility borne by advisers in cases

Petbow Holdings has reached agreement to buy P. H. Electronics, a private company which designs, manufacturers and sells electronic control units. At its last audited balance sheet date, it had net assets of £43,000 with net profits at £24,000. Consideration will be £165,000. ing" role as the City's watchdog of the behaviour of companies and their financial advisers involved in takeover bids.
This emerges today with the publication of the new City Code on Takeovers and Mergers, the first complete review for four years, designed to reduce the amount of misinterpre-Western Selection and Develop-

Western Selection and Develop-ment: Pretax profit for year to September 30 6379,000 (£269,000). Eps 4,34p (2.51p). Dividend 3.25p gross (3.0p). Nav at year end, 57.8p. Board is confident that group should at least maintain its position in year ahead. Transparent Paper: Menteith Investment Trust sold on February 20 a total holding of \$25,000 shares (11.3 per cent).

Briefly

based Olives Paper Mill is not paying any ordinary dividend for the year, compared with a total of 2.14p gross for 1979. Last year, profits shrank from £236,000 to £42,000 and this was after a tax credit of £439,000—compared with 1979's charge of £106,000—which includes a write-back of stock relief of £142,000. Turnover slipped from £5.4m to £5.03m. Rediffusion: Holding of Philips Electronic and Associated indust-ries on February 19 fell to 8.96 per cent. Previous notification from Philips was that their hold-ing had failen to 9.99 per cent on February 12.

Witan Investment Co: Earnings for nine months to January 31 for nine months to January 31 f2.49m (f2.6m) after tax of f1.34m (f1.25m). Eps 2.85p (3p including special dividend 0.37p per share). Nav per share loans and note charges at the 171.9n (129.8p) and at market value

176.4p (135.3p). Mid-Sussex Water Co: Applications totalling £6.275m were received in respect of offer for sale by tender of £3.5m 8 per cent redeemable preference stock. 1986. Highest tender was £102.33 per cent the average price of allotments was £102.14 per cent. Williamson Tea Holdings: Dividend 17.8p gross for year to June 19.2 per cent to last. November 19.2 per cent to last. williamson Tea Holdings: Dividend 17.3p gross for year to June 30 (same for previous 18 months). Turnover £22.85m (18 months). Turnover £22.85m (18 months) after tax of £2.84m (£2.07m). Eps 37.23p (28.76p).

Capital and Counties Prop:
Capital and Counties has formed
a new wholly-owned subsidiary in
Atlanta, Georgia, to carry out
property developments and investments. The new company
Capcount America Inc will initially be conventrating on a small

ally be concentrating on a small development scheme which will be sold on completion. T. F. and J. H. Braime: Dividend for 1980, 5p (6.42p) gross. Turnover £3.12m (£3.24m). Pretax profit £162,000 (£317,000) including investment income £53,000 (£32,000). EPS before deferred tax adjustment 4.91m (£3.39p). adjustment 4.91p (13.39p).

Libra Bank, consortium bank specializing in Latin America, re-ports profits of £22.76m for 1980

Hongkong to reduce tax on corporate profits

The Hongkong government will reduce corporate profit tax year.

to 161 per cent from 17 per cent, Mr Philip Haddon-Cave, the financial secretary, said in his budget speech.

The tax will be reduced by lowering to 1 per cent the sur- lowering to 1 per cen

lowering to 1 per cent the sur-charge levied on corporate profit tax introduced in the 1976-77 financial year, he said. The revenue cost in 1981-82 will be HKS206m (£17.4m).

allowance of 10 per cent, 20 per cent and 30 per cent with the to 35 per cent from 25 per cent.

statutory minimum required by way of paid-up capital, or of

Their general purpose would be to improve the quality of supervision of all deposit taking

paid-up capital and reserves, the ordinances needed to be revised to bring them into line with present day realities, he The move will cut revenue by said.

Business appointments

Sir Archie Lamb to join Montagu board

Sir Archie Lamb will join the board of Samuel Montagu & Co

Mr Anthony Marson to the new group finance director of Tricoville. He remains company secretary. Mr D. B. Rogers has been ap-

pointed director general (tech-nical), Inland Revenue, from June 1. in succession to Mr E. V. Adams who is retiring. Mr J. H. Gracey has been appointed director general (management) from August 1 in succession to Mr J. F. Boyd who will be retiring. Mr David G. Lowden has joined the Tradition Group of money brokers as managing director of the London operating companies.

The new chairman of the Foreign Exchange and Currency Deposit Brokers' Association is Mr J. H. Gunn. Mr M. A. Krowles is deputy chairman and Mr H. A. Michael Prest | 15 deputy Charmon and on the St. St.

Mr Harry M. Goern, a vice president of Aluminum Company of America (Alcoa), will become regional manager—Europe, from May 1. He succeeds Mr Harvey L. Johnson, who has been appointed Johnson, who has been appointed general manager—operations in the international division at Alcoa's corporate headquarters in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Mr William M. Kiely has been elected to the parent board of Foote. Cone and Belding Communications Inc and appointed executive vice president in charge of its business in the United Kingdom, Germany and Holland. He remains chairman and managements of the control of the contro He remains chairman and manag-ing director of the London group of FCB companies.

Mr Bill Clendenin, Mr Bill Gurry and Mr Barry McPadyean have been made executive direc-tors of Australian Bank. · Mr Peter Hastehurst has been appointed chief executive of Flexibox, part of the Burmah

tricity Board for five years from May 1. He succeeds Mr R. Cook May 1. He succeeds Mr R. Cook who retires from the post of chairman on April 30. Mr David G. Jefferies becomes chairman of the London Electricity Board for five years from April 1 and he succeeds Mr Alan Plumpton, who resigned as chairman of the LEB to become deputy chairman of the Electricity Council Mr John M. to become deouty chairman of the Electricity Council. Mr John M. Griffiths has been made a partime member of the Merseyside and North Wales Electricity Board for three years. Mr Anthony G. Stoughton-Harris has become a partitime member of the Southern Electricity Board for three years.

chairman of the South Wales Elec-

Air John K. Erwin, deputy managing director of Wm Teacher and Sons, has been made a direc-tor of Stewarts of Dundee, an associate company within the Allied Breweries Group, and Mr Derrick J. Fillingham, managing director of Stewarts, has been appointed to the Teacher board.

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merger proposals for Reliant Motor were passed. The de-merger remains conditional for unlisted market The board of South West Con upon court sanction. noon court sanction.
At the annual meeting, Mr
John Nash, chairman, said that
without doubt, 1981 is going to
be very difficult for Reliant as solidated Minerals has decided to make an application for per-mission to deal in the ordinary shares in the unlisted securities with the rest of British motor manufacturers, However, in the market of the Stock Exchange. The board has been advised that this will make the shares more easily marketable in the medium and long term, there could be a great future for the future than under the pro-J. F. Nash Securities has visions of rule 163(3).

Cons Gold's huge reorganization

announcement that a massive reorganization of its Australian interests is under consideration, overshadowed the sharp fall in profits from Consolidated Gold Fields of Australia. Its interim pretax operating profits fell from A529.1m to A519.4m (510m). The dividend, however, was raised by 3 cents to 13 cents. The outcome could be well below last year's very good figure.
In the event it may not

matter. The chances are that we shall never see full 1981 results from CGFA, at least not in its present form. CGFA was forced by market leaks—which pushed up the share price of its Renison tin mine from about A\$7.80 in Sydney on Friday to A59.50 yesterday-to make an announcement about the merger before it was ready. But from the bare details it is evident that this is the long-awaited restructuring of the Australian interests, and an important stage in the long-term reshaping of the whole Cons Gold

The companies involved are CGFA itself, in which Cons Gold has 70 per cent; Renison, Associated Minerals, and Mount Lyell, the copper producer. The complication is that the last three are owned 53.3 per cent, 62.2 per cent, and 56.1 per cent respectively not by the London company but by CGFA. Cons Gold also has a direct 4.8 per cent stake in Renison.

cumbersome two-tier management structure was the consequence, and Cons Gold ex-ecutives readily admit that it is Lyell, A\$36m.

under pressure from the Com-monwealth authorities to meet

.. Mining

the foreign investment guide-lines which lay down that as far as possible Australian com-panies should be owned by Australians.

It is clear, therefore, that the new merged company will be less than 50 per cent controlled from London. About 47 per cent would seem a reasonable sup-position, although the actual percentage, give or take the odd point, does not matter much. A great deal will depend upon the local management, and if, as seems probable, the present CGFA team, with Mr Max Roberts as chairman, stays in place, Cons Gold has nothing

to worry about. Less certain, however, is how the merger will be carried out and how big the final company will be. Cons Gold will not want the value of its Australian stake watered down, even if it does not exercise the same nominal power in the new company. The market capitalizations of the relevant companies at the close of business in Sydney yesterday were: CGFA, A\$176m; Revi-son, A\$319m (a bit inflated by the speculation); Associated

because the Australian opera-tions are so tangled, that they have stagnated for so long. At the same time, Cons Gold was companies, Cons Gold's toral current stake is worth about AS285m. One should also add in the other CFGA investments such as Colinas, Mount Goldsworthy, and Circular Quay. A capitalization of AS350m, possibly more, is therefore possible.

With about a fortnight to go before the final details are settled, assuming that the leak does not stymie the whole enterprise, the financial terms of the merger are very bazy. In principle, the four companies mostly concerned will be compensated according to their contribution to the new com-The legal mechanism is to be

a scheme of arrangement. But capitalization, it seems that a new force in Australian mining is about to be born. Changes are on the way at Charter Consolidated too. That

ill-starred mining finance house is spending £30m on two important acquisitions, very much in line with its new policy of expanding into industrial negotiations British Petroleum, following the purchase of Selection Trust

which netted Charter over

the engineering, construction

£100m,

£24.8m

and mining group. Mining Correspondent | treasurer.

Charter is paying for Alexander Shand,

market swoop to 15 per cent, after which buyers are allowed to purchase only 5 per cent in where a controlling shareholder any seven days up to just under per cent of the total equity. Video boom propels Matsushita

International in the year to last November 20, a 26.7 per cent jump from

the previous year.

The group sarributed the brisk performance mainly to strong sales of video tape recorders, semi-conductors and business machines. The dramatic improvement, it noted, came in spite of the year's apprecia-tion and an economic slowdown in the second half.

and sales at four overseas sub-sidiaries—increased by 52 per cent to 1,200bn yen.

Sales were a record 2,915bn

95.84 yen from 76.41 yen. Sales in overseas markets—exports

Overall video tape recorder sales totalled about 390,000m yen in the year, an 84 per cent increase. Exports accounted for Europe and the Middle East. VTRs accounted for 13.4 per yen, an increase of 23.4 per VTRs accounted for 13.4 per cent. Earnings a share rose to cent of the group's total sales;

73 per cent of the total VTR sales. The United States was the largest market, followed by

and deposit-taking company ordinances would soon be intro-

Depreciation allowances will be raised. The 33 categories of items eligible will be regrouped under three rates of annual initial allowance to be raised

Mr Haddon-Cave also said that bills to amend the banking and deposit-taking company

institutions.
In certain areas, such as the

Montedison

completed the takeover of a 10 per cent minority interest in Montedison, one of the largest European petrochemical con-

a share up to 160p or so but the market reflected this quickly yesterday, lifting the shares 20p to 130p. Edgbaston's pretax profit for the year to last March 31 were £113,900 and its assets were £3.2m. As at October, 1980, the portfolio was professionally valued for E & A at £6.92m. It has two big shop and office properties in Tottenham Court Road, London, and Exeter.

double the size of the company. It also looks like taking assets

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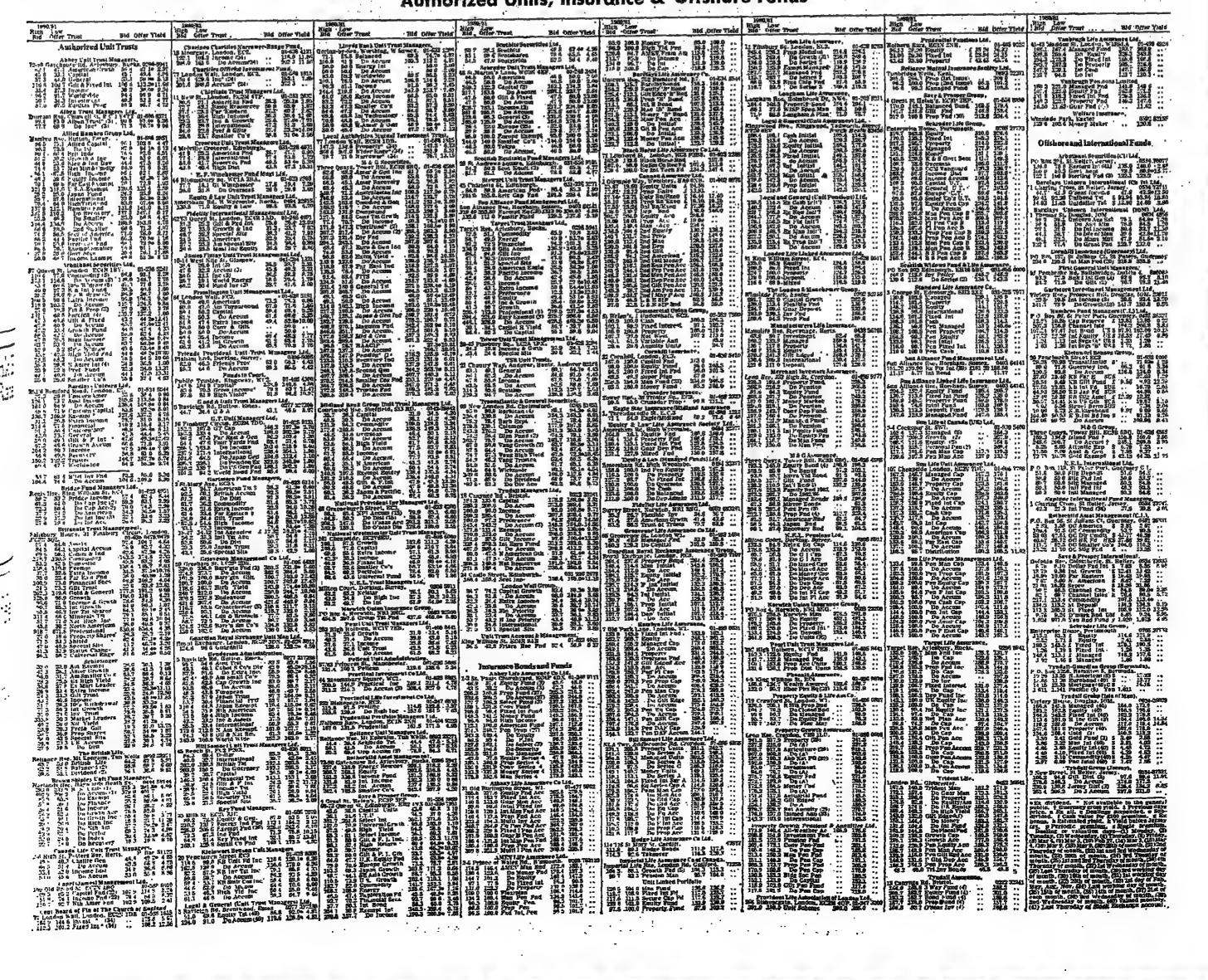
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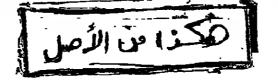


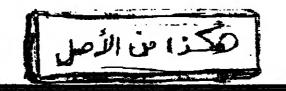
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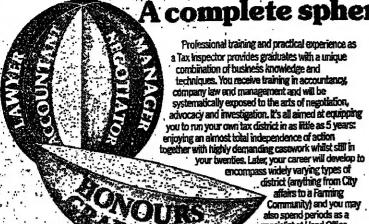
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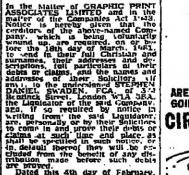
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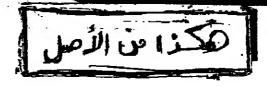
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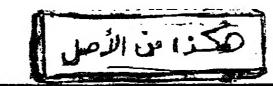




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) At the heart of tonight's Man Alive (BBC 2, 9.30) is a tragic ony that will not escape you. The film is about the special baby are unit at Wycombe General Hospital. It concentrates on three the tipy charges. One is terribly malformed, the second ossibly brain-damaged. Both might well die, and their mothers in the third baby is fit, but his mother cannot love im. This latter case proves the least difficult for the special uit to deal with, but the other two throw into sharp relief the viul dilemma facing doctors and parents : when life could come merely existence, is it not sometimes "a loving thing to
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In terms of comic invention, where does Ask a Policeman?
IBC 2, 6.35) stand in the Will Hay canon? Very high, I would
y, probably midway between Oh, Mr Porter! which is Hay's
erest, and Convict 99. The links that connect it with Oh, Mr rter! are many and important: same director (Marcel Varnel), me producer (Edward Black), same writers (Marriott Edgar, il Guest, J. O. C. Orton), same editor (R. B. Dearing) and, of urse, the same two matchless supporting actors, Moore artiott and Graham Moffatt. Racing buffs might be interested to ow that the finale, in which the three comedians drive a ndon bus in pursuit of the smugglers, was filmed at Brooklands. The third film in Granada Television's Camera series (ITV, 00) which I would say are essential viewing for film buffs and ommended viewing for all who take their night out at the vies for granted, is devoted to Charles Pathe, the man who is d to have industrialized the cinema. It was Pathé who roduced the middle-man into film distribution and gave the rld its first newsreel. And—something I did not know before— was Pathé who made a film called Battleship Potemkin 20 years

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Shoe Must Go On. 4.25 Jackanory: Ronald Pickup reads Joan Aiken's story The Night the Stars were Gone. 4.40 Scooby and Scrappy Doo: cartoon. The Neon Phantom of the Roller Disco. BBC 2

BBC 2
6.40 Open University. A profile of Charles Ives; 7.05 All about risk; 7.30 Crime. Closedown at 7.55.
11.00 Play School. The same as BBC 1, 3.55 (Joanne Cole's story Dots and Gaps). Closedown at 11.25.
4.50 pm Open University. The preschool child; 5.15 Childhood 5-10; approaching the school.
5.40 Charlie Chaplin. The Rink (1916). Charlie is a waiter at a roller-skating rink and he also poses as a toff. There are glorious moments of high-speed comedy. With Edna Purviance and Eric Campbell.

Campbell.
6.10 Maggie. Episode four of this nine-part serial about a young Scottish girl with family problems.
Starring Kirsty Miller in the title

9.30 For Schools. Handicapped

children; 9.52 How Journeys are made: 10.09 Consumer protection; 10.31 Evolution, for A-level students; 10.53 Biology for A-

level students : bacteria ; 11,10

Starting Science; 11,27 The travels

of Dr Livingstone; 11.44 Picture

12.00 Gideon: Cartoon about a duckling. Tim Brooke-Taylor provides the voices. 12.16 Stepping

Stones: The theme is hands and faces, and there is a story called Flat Sandy. 12.30 The Sullivans:

Serial about an Australian family

1.00 News. 1.20 Thames area news.

1.30 Together : Another episode in this story of the folk who live in a block of flats. Today : the re-

turn of Arthur Satton (John

2.00 After Noon Plus: An inter-

view with the American film actress Ellen Burstyn about her

new film Resurrection. Also a 15year-old boy drives his racing car

THAMES

in the last war,

Malcoim).

6.35 Music-Hall Greats. Ask a Policeman's (1940). Will Hay is the village police sergeant who; with his two assistants (Graham Moffatt, Moore Marriott). faces the sack unless she can make an arrest (See Personal Choice). 7.50 News with sub-titles for the hard of hearing.
8.00 Treasures of the Hermitage, The canvases by Matisse and Picasso which tang in the famous Leningrad Museum. This is the second film in a series of three about the works of art on show at the Hermitage, Marius Goring is the narrator.

the narrator. 8.30 Rossell Harty. Live from the BEC's Manchester studios. With Michael Palin, Terry Gilliam, Almi

MacDonald.

9.00 The Little World of Don Camillo. The priest devises a ruso to persuade a man who has one around the track at Brands Hatch. 2.45 The Racing Game: Track-down. Dick Francis thriller about

the turf. Today: a tale about crooked punters. With Mike Gwilym as the jockey turned sleuth (r).

3.45 In Loving Memory: Comedy about a funeral undertaker's business run by an aunt (Thora Hird) and her nephew (Christopher Beeny). Today he is offered work of a different sort (r).

work of a different sort (r).
4.15 Watch it! A Dr Snuggles
story, with Peter Ustinov's voice.
4.20 Little House on the Prairie:
The two orphaned brothers who
might have to part. 5.15 Emmerdale Farm: Amos and a little
matter of security. 5.45 News, 6.00 Thames area news. 6.25, Help I What happens at a Berkshire centre for the elderly confused. It is run by Age Con-

cers.

6.35 Batilestar Galactica: In exchange for command of the fleet, Count Diss promises to grame the Galactica leaders three wishes. This is part 2 of War of the Gods. 7.30 Bognor: Final episode of this particular story about an investigation at a friary by a Department of Trade investigator (David Horivitch).

8.06 The Incredible Mr Tanner: Choice.)

11:30 Three's Company: Comedy about three people sharing a flat.

12:00 What the Papers Say: The presenter is Richard Ingrams.

12:15 Close. Tony Lothian reads from the writings of a woman whom she regards as wise.

9.00 News: with Richard Eaker.
9.25 Malice Alorethought: Penultimate episode of the Francis
Hes story about an adulterous and
murderous country doctor (Hywel
Bennett). Tonight; the gossip spreads.
18.26 Question Time: Robin Day's panel tonight codsins of Dr Rhodes Boyson, the Education Under Secretary; Donald Dewar, the Labour MP; Alex Jarratt, chairman of Reed International; and Baroness Seear, the Liberal beer.

peer.

11.20 The Best in the Bailroom:
Prince and Princess Michael of
Kent present the Carl-Alan awards.
With Wayne Sleep and the
Maarten Hoffmann Dancers.

11.55 News.

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5-40 News: with John Edmunds.
5-55 Regional news magazines. All regions unite at 6-20 for Nationwide which includes another of Tony Wilkinson's films about his days among London's down and outs. The Grass Roots item. 18 presented by Gillan Miles, from Spotlight South West.
6-55 Tomorrow's World: Science for everyman.
7-20 Ton of the Press: Peers for everyman.

7.20 Top of the Pops: Peter Powell introduces this sequence of best-selling pop music.

8.00 Hi-De-Hi i New series of comedies about a holiday camp, with Simon Cadell as the ex-Cambridge don turned entertainment manager. Tonight: grounde when a besury queen is seen entering his chalet. 8.30 Fartners: Comedy series about a divorced couple and the Other Woman. Tonight: the weekend conference at Brighton which has unplanned items on the agenda. Regions

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Comedy series about an escapologist (Brian Murphy) and his assistant (Roy Kiunear). Touight: an encounter with a pretry Swedish giri (Natalie Forbes).

3.30 TV Eye: The Centre Party Road Test, An advertising agency hired to prepare a full-scale launching for a yet non-existent centre party, sent out a campaign team to interview people. Tonight, we learn the results.

9.00 Hill Street Blues. American police series. Tonight, Captain

6.30 Any. Answers?
6.55 It's a Bargain.
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.20 Time for Verse:
7.30 Bournemouth SO Segal (live from Bournemouth), pt 1: Chepin (Pno Conc 1—Ax).
8.10 On the Road with Sir John.
8.30 BSO, pt 2: Tchaikovsky (Manfred).
9.30 Kaleidoscope:
10.00 The World Tonight.
11.00 The Painted Veil (4).
11.15 Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament. million dollars to give away that he should spend it on providing a home for old people and poor children in the rillage. Special guest appearance by George Coulouris.

2.0. Man Alive. A Towing Thing. 30 Today in Parliament. 9.30 Man Alive. A Loving Thing .00 News. .15 am-12.23 Shipping forecast. 9.30 Man Alive. A Loving Thing to Do? An investigation into whether badly damaged babies should be allowed to die. We are told about three case histories at the special baby care unit at Wycombe General Hospital and the parents' diemma in each case (See Personal Choice).

19.20 The Mike Harding Show. 05 am Schools: A Service for

Schools; Music Interlude; Maths—with a Story; Sounds, Words and Movement; Music Interlude; Stories and Rhymes.

10.30-10.45 Listen with Mother. 10.20 The Mike Harding Show. The Lancashire comedian puts on another one-man show at the Grand Theatre in Blackpool.
10.50 Newsnight. The day's main news stories, plus special features. Linda Alexander reads the builtins, and Marshall Lee handles the sports coverage. Ends at 11.40.

Tune (15); Man; Home or Away. 2.00 pm-3.00 Schools: Living Language; Look / Living Through History. 11.00 Study on 4; Punti di vista (17). 11.30-12.10 am Open University: Technology for Teachers; Decora-tive Art in the 1890s.

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7.00, 8.00 News.
7.30, 8.30 Headings.
8.35 Yesterday in Parliament.
9.00 News.
9.05 Checkpoint.
9.30 The Living World.
10.00 News.
0.02 Enterprise.
0.30 Daily Service.
0.45 Story: Poor Aunt Emma, by byllis Anderson.
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8.05 Records: Wagner, Vaughan Williams, Françaix, Stravinsky.†
9.03 News.
9.05 Week's Composer: Barber.†
10.05 Quartet, clarinet (Gabrieli/King): Maconchy, Brahms (op 51 noI).† noI).† 19.55 Songs : Ravel, Schubert, Chabrier.† 11.40 CBSO/E. Schmid: Bartok, M. B. Watkins, Beethoven (Sym

41.† 1.0 pm News. 1.05 Piano (Klien—llve from Royal Exchange, Manchester): Mozart Exchange, Manchester): Mozart (inct K321).†
2.00 - English Baroque Soloists/
Gardiner: Handel (incl Conc Grossl).†
4.00 Cello, piano: Viva)di,
Chopin.†
4.55 News.
5.00 Mainly for Pleasure.†
7.00 Talking about Music.†
7.30 Play.: The Caucaslan Chalk Circle, by Brecht.† (See Personal Choice).
9.50 Record: Fauré.†
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S.55 am:6.55 Open University; An Introduction to Schooling and Society; Fielding's Tom Jones; Research and Policy.
11.15 pm-12.55 am Open University: Maths Foundation Tutorial; Talking about Accents; Navigaring the Earth; Thought and Reality; Errors and Iteration.

Radio 2

Wogan,† 10.80 Jimmy Young,†
12.90 David Hamilton,† 2.00 pm
Ed Stewart.† 4.00 Much More
Music.† 6.90 Steve Jones.† 8.00
Country Club.† 9.00 Alan Dell.†
10.00 A Very Private Man. 10.30
Star Sound Extra. 11.00 Brian
Matthew. 2.00 am-5.00 You and
the Night and the Music.†

Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.00 Andy Peebles. 12.30 pm Newsbeat. 12.45 Paul Burnett. 2.30 Dave Lee Travis. 4.30 Peter Powell. 7.00 Wheels. 8.00 Richard Skinner. 10.00 John Peel, 12.00 Close. VHF RADIOS 1 AND 2: 5.00 am With Radio 2. 10.00 pm With Radio 1. 12.00-5.00 am With Radio 2.

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9.00 Hill Street Blues. American police series. Tonight, Captain Furillo (Daniel J. Travant) finds the gun that was used in the shooting of two officers.
10.00 News from ITN. Also, Thames news headlines.
10.30 Thames Report: The Post Office management/union agreements that are costing the City vast sums because of delays in installing vital equipment.
11.00 Camera: Moving Picture. Third film in this series about the early film ploneers. This one is about Charles Pathé, the first movie mogul. (See Personal Choice.) Southern

Anglia

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Anglia. 6.20 Arena. 8.25 Crossroads.
7.00-7.30 Sand Barrier. 10.30-11.00
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Mystery. 12.25 am Christians in
Action.

REGIONAL TV

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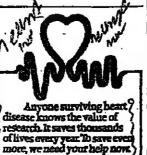


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